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TIME-TABLE.

On and after MAY 2ND, 1931, until Further Notice (all previous Time Tables cancelled).

UP TRAINS													
STATIONS	No. 1	No. 2	No. 3	No. 4	No. 5	No. 6	No. 7	No. 8	No. 9	No. 10	No. 11	No. 12	No. 13
Kowloon	6.40	8.05	8.28	9.18	10.18	12.00	1.18	2.35	4.02	4.41	5.38	7.40	8.45
Shamshui	6.44	8.09	8.32	9.22	10.22	12.04	1.22	2.39	4.06	4.45	5.42	7.44	8.49
Shatin	6.48	8.13	8.36	9.26	10.26	12.08	1.26	2.43	4.10	4.49	5.46	7.48	8.53
Tai Po	6.52	8.17	8.40	9.30	10.30	12.12	1.30	2.47	4.14	4.53	5.50	7.52	8.57
Tai Po Market	6.56	8.21	8.44	9.34	10.34	12.16	1.34	2.51	4.18	4.57	5.54	7.56	9.01
Fanning	7.00	8.25	8.48	9.38	10.38	12.20	1.38	2.55	4.22	5.01	5.58	8.00	9.05
Sheungshui	7.04	8.29	8.52	9.42	10.42	12.24	1.42	2.59	4.26	5.05	6.02	8.04	9.09
Shuncheun	7.08	8.33	8.56	9.46	10.46	12.28	1.46	3.03	4.30	5.09	6.06	8.08	9.13
Canton	7.12	8.37	9.00	9.50	10.50	12.32	1.50	3.07	4.34	5.13	6.10	8.12	9.17

DOWN TRAINS													
STATIONS	No. 1	No. 2	No. 3	No. 4	No. 5	No. 6	No. 7	No. 8	No. 9	No. 10	No. 11	No. 12	No. 13
Canton	7.12	8.37	9.00	9.50	10.50	12.32	1.50	3.07	4.34	5.13	6.10	8.12	9.17
Shuncheun	7.16	8.41	9.04	9.54	10.54	12.36	1.54	3.11	4.38	5.17	6.14	8.16	9.21
Sheungshui	7.20	8.45	9.08	9.58	10.58	12.40	1.58	3.15	4.42	5.21	6.18	8.20	9.25
Fanning	7.24	8.49	9.12	10.02	11.02	12.44	2.02	3.19	4.46	5.25	6.22	8.24	9.29
Tai Po Market	7.28	8.53	9.16	10.06	11.06	12.48	2.06	3.23	4.50	5.29	6.26	8.28	9.33
Tai Po	7.32	8.57	9.20	10.10	11.10	12.52	2.10	3.27	4.54	5.33	6.30	8.32	9.37
Shatin	7.36	9.01	9.24	10.14	11.14	12.56	2.14	3.31	4.58	5.37	6.34	8.36	9.41
Shamshui	7.40	9.05	9.28	10.18	11.18	13.00	2.18	3.35	5.02	5.41	6.38	8.40	9.45
Kowloon	7.44	9.09	9.32	10.22	11.22	13.04	2.22	3.39	5.06	5.45	6.42	8.44	9.49

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DIARY OF LOCAL EVENTS.

TODAY.

(December 2.)

Street Sale of Roses.
Address to Sir Robert Ho-tung by Chinese Chamber of Commerce.
Sir Robert and Lady Ho-tung.
"At Home," Peninsula Hotel.
Lammer's Auction Sale of Canned Goods, Salesroom, 11 a.m.
Hockey: Club v. Borderers.
Queen's Theatre: "The Bat Whispers."
World Theatre: "Iron Hero" (Chinese film).
Star Theatre: "So This Is London."
King's Theatre: "The Chance of A Night Time."
Central Theatre: "The Border Legion."
Tea Dances at King's Restaurant and Hong Kong Hotel; Dinner Dances at Peninsula Hotel and Republic Bay Hotel.
H.M.S. Suffolk Dance at Hotel Cecil.

THURSDAY.

(December 3.)

Helena May Institute Concert, Miss Luba Peckor, 5.30 p.m.
Annual General Meeting of Subscribing Members, Helena May Institute, 11 a.m.
Football Referees Supper Meeting at St. Francis Hotel, 7.30 p.m.
Hockey: Radio Sports Club v. Central British Association.
Queen's Theatre: "The Bat Whispers."
World Theatre: "Fox Follies of 1930."
Star Theatre: "The Unholy Three."
King's Theatre: "Bed And Breakfast."
Central Theatre: "The Right to Love."
Tea Dance at Hong Kong Hotel; Dinner Dances at Hong Kong Hotel and Peninsula Hotel.
European Mail:—Inward: Europe via Suez (Rawalpindi). Outward: Europe via Suez (Yasukuni Maru) 6 p.m.

FRIDAY.

(December 4.)

Hockey: Royal Naval and Royal Marine Team Championship, Theatre Royal, 8 p.m.
Hockey: Hong Kong Hockey Club v. H.M.S. Tamar, King's Park, 5 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "The Bat Whispers."
World Theatre: "Fox Follies of 1930."
Star Theatre: "The Unholy Three."
King's Theatre: "A Warm Corner."
Central Theatre: "The Right to Love."
Tea Dances at King's Restaurant and Hong Kong Hotel; Dinner Dances at Hong Kong Hotel and Peninsula Hotel.
European Mail:—Outward: Europe via Siberia (Empress of Canada) 9.30 a.m.; Europe via Suez (Rajputana) 10.30 a.m.

From The Watch-Tower

ENGLAND MINDS HER OWN BUSINESS:
THE WILL TO SUCCEED.

IMPERIAL ECONOMIC CONFERENCE A COUNTERBLAST TO KILL-JOYS.

The nation stands at the beginning of a new way of life, writes "The Sentinel" in the London Morning Post. For years we have stood irresolute and uncertain amidst the conflicting currents of post-war economic affairs, trusting to time and luck to rescue us from the mantram which threatened, as time moved on, to "submerge us." The magnitude and intensity of the forces which imperilled the sensitive mechanism of international life paralysed our will to action. We hurried hither and thither throughout Europe, seeking to effect co-operation where the desire to co-operate was lacking, preaching the obvious to ears that were deaf to everything except "domestic politics." Three years ago, when it became apparent that, whether through a sense of insecurity or a desire for ascendancy, foreign Powers were bent upon playing their own hands, England should have diverted her energies to the task of putting her house in order, to the careful planning of her own economic future against a background of world egoism.

Mistress of Her Destiny.

Cobdenism has gone near to destroying our proper sense of perspective and has undermined our spirit of national self-help. That by the very conditions of our economic life England's prosperity is intimately bound up with that of the rest of the world cannot be questioned. But England is still mistress of her destiny; through the energies of her sons and the sagacity of her statesmen, she can still secure the foundations of her industrial and commercial strength even while other nations proceed with the cynical game of "domestic politics" and bring disaster upon themselves and their neighbours.

Resume Our National Life.

We have waited too long for that far-sighted co-operation which without doubt would have proved the easier path to rehabilitation. And while we have waited and pleaded and urged, our own position has

been permitted to get steadily worse. We are about to resume our national life. Not in any spirit of aggrandisement, for in this country there is a profound love of peace. More than once has England given evidence in recent years of the generosity and disinterestedness of her motives; not without great cost to herself has she been the standard bearer of the policy of European goodwill.

Not then in a spirit of aggrandisement, nor inspired by ill-feeling towards any nation, but in the firm resolve to renew the vigour and the prosperity of our own people, too long neglected whilst we searched in vain for an international Utopia, do we resume our national life.

No Nation Can Stand Alone.

We do not need to be told that no nation can stand alone, that internal policy is interwoven with external policy, and that foreign affairs are nowadays very largely concerned with economic and financial problems. The events of every week of every month of the past decade have imprinted these things deep in our minds. But if we cannot forget them we can and will remember that we are still a great power, the centre of a rich and extensive Empire, inhabited by a population whose skill and energy and deeply-rooted patriotism are nowhere excelled and that we are capable of utilising the resources of that world-Empire to make good the evil which is being wrought in our economic life by the particular policies of other powers.

Tide of Economic Militarism.

In the International armoury tariffs and gold-reserves are proving more powerful weapons than guns and shells. No sane man can do other than lament this new aspect of European politics, yet no sane man will disregard it. We have preached in vain the gospel of interdependence, co-operation, and mutual forbearance; we have made heavy financial sacrifices in the

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DAYS TO
CHRISTMAS

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Vegetables Clear Soup
Fried Fillet of Fish, Tartare Sauce
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Dancing every evening during
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Yung Chow Chan Fan
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French Beans
Apple and Raisin Tart
Fruit, Tea or Coffee

CHRISTMAS COMPETITION ENTRY FORM

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To the advertising manager

THE HONG KONG DAILY PRESS

11, ICE HOUSE STREET, HONG KONG

In my opinion the attached is the best advertisement which has appeared in the Hong Kong Daily Press, between the dates of November 23 and December 25. I enclose a letter giving reasons for my choice. I have read the conditions of this competition and agree to abide by them.

MR.
Signed MRS.
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We beg to notify Customers that Assorted Hampers suitable for the Festive Season may be obtained from us at the following Reduced Rates:—

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| 1 Qt. Most & Chandon Dry Imperial Champagne. | 1 Qt. Suprb Tawny Port. |
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| 1 Pt. D.O.M. | 1 Qt. Old Brown Sherry, Black Seal. |
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No. 2 HAMPER—\$55.

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| 1 Qt. Guilleart Champagne. | 2 Qts. Tawny Dry Port. |
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| 1 Qt. Burgoyne's Burgundy. | 1 Qt. Tower Brand Brandy. |
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AIRWAYS AND AVIATION.

AVIATION IN HONG KONG.

(BY MAJOR E. B. BRASHER-CREACH.)

The Writing of this column every week becomes more and more like the sort of job that the Gossip writers, back in London, enjoy so much for I begin to hear, almost day by day, of the increase of air-consciousness amongst us. One week it is that another world flyer has stuck a pin in his map, where the name of this Colony appears, as one of the spots where he proposes to rest on his journey. The next, it is a local enthusiast who wishes to buy a plane to fly home in—this one, by the way, is anxious to find a financially strong partner, and is quite qualified to act as Pilot for the trek. Perhaps some reader would like to meet him: I shall be glad to effect the introduction.

To-day, it is an enthusiastic report from a friend, who has only just returned to the Colony, of his flight from Paris to Constantinople in one day. It is only a matter of weeks since we were reading of Neville Stack's magnificent flight on the Fairy from London to the Bosphorus. The home papers published most laudatory accounts of this effort and drew examples of what such a flight meant to travel. Now, an eminent Hong Kongite has practically repeated that venture, not as an out-of-the-way demonstration, but in the ordinary way of his business. Aviation is indeed coming to Hong Kong.

You have read, in the last few months, a great deal that I have written about the formation of an Air Service from Rangoon, to Japan, the centre and chief point of which should be Hong Kong. It may be of interest to you to learn what were the opinions of a leading commercial airman of this part of the world when he talked my proposals over with me. They boiled down to this:—"I think you are still two years ahead of reality, but anything you can do to push forward the accomplishment of your plans will be for the benefit of Hong Kong. If nothing has been done within that time, I shall set about it myself." These men who know what flying is do not hesitate to plan several years ahead. They are aware of what tremendous advances have been achieved and consolidated in the last few years, and they are now concerned in taking advantages of the better standards provided. These standards are already past the point at which the peculiar conditions needs of the China Sea gave any cause for doubt. With standard machines, as available to-day, we could run an immediate and satisfactory commercial service.

This last week end I have been enjoying a stay on the shores of Tolo Harbour. I write this with the magnificent calm water spread before me. What a spot for a flying boat station! With a railway line running to the door, practically no traffic on the fairway, no wind interference and yet plenty of shelter and gently shelving beaches. It is just the place I should choose for the base of the British Eastern Air Arm—if ever there was such a thing.

AIR TRANSPORT PROGRESS.

THE IMPERIAL AIRWAYS FLEET.

NEW FOUR ENGINED MONOPLANES.

The striking growth of Britain's mercantile air-fleet is shown by details which are given in the annual report of Imperial Airways just issued.

Seven years ago, when the Company was formed by the merging of the four then-existing air transport organisations, the fleet taken over comprised fifteen aircraft with engines developing a total of 7,570 horse-power. Of these machines eleven were of the single-engined type; the remaining four each being driven by two engines.

To-day, in operation on continental and Empire routes, or in course of construction, Imperial Airways have no fewer than 41 air-liners and flying-boats, all but one of these machines being of the multi-engined type. The total horse-power developed by the Company's fleet is now 58,000.

Accommodate 700 Passengers.

The total seating capacity of the original fleet, as it existed in 1924, was not more than 120, but to-day the Company's fleet can accommodate, with a spaciousness and luxury undreamt of a few years ago, more than 700 passengers.

CHOSEN BY THE LEADING AIR LINES OF THE WORLD:

Imperial Airways, Ltd.
Deutsche Luft Hansa A.G.
K.L.M.
West Australian Airways, Ltd.
Pan American Airways
and many others all use



while it has a capacity, in addition, for many tons of mails and urgent freight.

This British mercantile air-fleet has been created and is being developed with a view to providing powerful multi-engined aeroplanes and flying-boats, suitable for the widely different climatic and geographical conditions encountered in the operation of (Pan-Empire) routes. Special consideration, for example, has been given to semi-tropical desert conditions on the air-line to India; while a new fleet of eight large 4-engined monoplanes, designed for the tropical weather conditions and high altitudes on the route across Africa, is now in construction.

The New Monoplanes.

These new monoplanes, which are to be known as the "Atlantis" type, are being built for Imperial Airways by Messrs. Armstrong-Whitworth Aircraft, Ltd., Coventry, and each will be driven by four Armstrong-Siddeley double Monogoo air-cooled engines, developing a total of 1,400 horse-power. The monoplanes are designed to operate from air ports at high altitudes, some of the air-stations on the African routes being more than 5,000 feet above sea level. The new machines will attain a maximum speed of 145 miles-an-hour, and will cruise at 120 miles-an-hour.

The comfort of travellers flying in tropical conditions on the African air-line—this route actually crossing the Equator—has been studied specially in the design of these monoplanes, a greater space per passenger being allowed than has been the case in any previous craft.

When the new aircraft come into service on the African route, the Imperial Airways fleet will include nineteen 4-engined machines, and seventeen driven by three engines. The new 4-engined air-liners not only provide greater dependability, load-carrying capacity, and comfort for passengers, but operate at a lower cost, per ton mile, than have any previous craft flown by the Company.

PEGGY SALAMAN ON HER FLIGHT.

AIR GIRL "RATHER TERRIFIED."

RECORD BEATEN BY 30 HOURS.

Capetown, Nov. 5.—Landing here at 5.40 (G.M.T.) this morning, exactly 3 days 8 hours 40 minutes after leaving Lympne, Miss Peggy Salaman, the 19-year-old London girl, has beaten by well over a day the record made by the late Commander Glen Kidston.

"I'm happy and thrilled to be here," the air girl said to me this afternoon after a bath and a rest at her hotel.

"The flight," she went on, "has been one great adventure. I had been looking forward to it for such a long time that I can hardly realise I am in Capetown at last."

"I had not had very much flying experience, but I did want to show what an English girl and an English machine could do. Now I'm rather terrified by it all."

"No, I was not afraid when we were forced to land in the bush. I was too tired to be afraid and in any case my pistols gave us ample protection, although I had not even shot with a bow and arrow before."

"Really Tired."

"After we left Wadi Halfa (Egypt), we struck Africa with a vengeance. To put it mildly, it was my nearest approach to Hell when we reached Juba. It was the first time I felt really tired."

"It was at Juba that I obtained the two lion cubs, Juba and Joker. I have left them at Kimberley as they were too heavy for the plane. The Mayor is sending them on by train."

She said that if Princess Elizabeth was allowed to accept one of the cubs, she would give the other to the London Zoo.

The fliers arrived at Capetown an hour earlier than they were expected.

"I am sorry we surprised Capetown," Miss Salaman said; "but we could have arrived much earlier. In fact, we climbed to 8,000 feet and circled Table Mountain in order to while away the time."

"Anyway, we have arrived, and I am satisfied. Please send my love to Mummy at home, and don't forget my brother in Western Australia."

Mr. Store, her assistant pilot, told me: "Miss Salaman has been a brick. This was her trip. She has definitely taken the weight of the flying. My job has been chiefly that of navigator. I want to give her full credit for all she has done."

Back by Boat.

Asked if she would fly back to England, Miss Salaman said: "No, I shall go by boat to Marseilles and fly from there to Croydon."

She was very anxious to know whether Mr. Mollison, who plans to beat her time, had left London. Miss Salaman spent the afternoon shopping. She explained that she wanted to buy some dresses as, except for the blouse and flannel trousers with which she made the flight, she had with her only an evening gown.

"After the shopping," she said, "I shall be ready for anything Capetown has to offer in the way of dancing, riding and other amusements."

Hundreds of cables of congratulation from all parts of the world have reached the fliers, including one from Lord Amulree, Secretary of State for Air. Who stated: "The flight has not only brought England and South Africa appreciably nearer, but has given yet another striking demonstration of the capabilities of British aircraft and engines."

BRITAIN'S AIR LINE FLEET.

STEADY GROWTH OF IMPERIAL AIRWAYS.

Steady expansion of the Imperial Airways air-line fleet is indicated in the annual report of the company for the year ended March 31, 1931. From the 20 aircraft, powered with engines totalling 18,000 horse-power, which made up the fleet in 1927, the aeroplanes have increased in number to 41 (in operation of construction) and in horse-power to 58,000. The average power of an Imperial air-liner is therefore nowadays approximately 1,415, compared with 900 h.p. four years ago.

The increase in average power is a natural consequence of the company's "multi-engined" policy. In 1924, single-engined craft predominated, but since then development has been concentrated on the acquisition of aircraft with two, three and now with four power units. When the eight four-motored monoplanes now being built at Coventry for flying on the trans-African air route are delivered the fleet will include no fewer than nineteen four-engined and seventeen three-engined aircraft. In 1925 the company had only three multi-engined machines, all of them powered with two engines.

New Machines' Economic Success.

The three-motored biplanes which have assured the services during the last few years did much to place the operations of the company on a profitable basis, but new standards of economic operation are set by the new Handley Page, Short and Armstrong Whitworth air-liners. These craft not only provide vastly improved comfort for passengers, greater trustworthiness and bigger pay load, but can also be flown at a lower cost "per ton mile" than any of their predecessors. Few details of advance in design are equal in importance with the improvements that have brought to civil aviation this much needed gift of reduced operational costs. It is certain to have great influence on the future of air transport, and may even bring air line flying to the stage where it can, in the famous phrase, "fly by itself" without state assistance.

Considerably more mail was carried during the year on the India route, letters sent from all countries by the weekly service averaging approximately 40,500 letters against the average of 34,200 letters air-borne on each flight in the previous year.

ROBBED EMPLOYERS TO AID POOR.

STATION-MASTER GIVEN EIGHTEEN MONTHS IN PRISON.

London, Nov. 23.—Described by counsel as a man who had been playing the role of fairy god-mother in a manner resembling Robin Hood, by relieving the rich of their surplus money and distributing it among the poor, the station-master at St. Helens, in the Isle of Wight, was sentenced to-day at Winchester to eighteen months' imprisonment for theft and forging receipts.

The accused created fictitious wage sheets, robbing the railway company of over £3,000. With his ill-gotten money he made presents of joints of beef to various villagers and sumptuously treated his numerous friends.

"People Who Matter"

PEOPLE WHO MATTER, to the advertiser are the people who can afford to buy his goods. Most of these people buy and read the

Hong Kong Daily Press,

EX-NAVAL OFFICER ARRESTED.

ELECTION CANDIDATE ALLEGES BLACKMAIL.

A Parliamentary candidate and a retired Naval officer figured in a case of alleged blackmail at Marlborough-street, Police-court on October 23.

The accused was Charles Lester Kerr, 25, described as a company representative and director, of Carlton House, Regent-street, W.; also of Crawley-gardens, Kensington.

He was charged on a warrant with unlawfully threatening to abstain from publishing a matter concerning the prosecutor (whose name was not revealed), with intent to extort "a certain valuable thing" from him.

The offence was alleged to have been committed on dates between October 12 and 20, at Carlton House, Regent-street.

Mr. Claude Hornby, for the prosecution, said that this was a prosecution for blackmail of a prospective Parliamentary candidate in the present election. The alleged blackmail took place at an interview in the defendant's office, where a book of newspaper cuttings was produced. Accused told the prosecutor that unless money was forthcoming these cuttings relating to an incident in the prosecutor's past would be broadcast.

There was a further conversation by telephone, to which two police officers "listened in" on two extensions. Later there was another demand for money.

This time it was suggested that the prosecutor should make application for shares in a company in which the accused was interested and on the prospectus of which his name appeared as a director. "I understand," added Mr. Hornby, "accused is a retired naval commander."

A Complete Denial.

Detective-inspector David Bower, of New Scotland Yard, stated that on Thursday he saw accused at Carlton House, Regent-street, and told him he had a warrant for his arrest. Kerr said, "I am amazed." On the way to the station, accused stated, "I am not clear about the charge." At the station witness read the warrant, and Kerr made no comment. When charged at Vine-street Police-station, accused replied, "I deny the charge altogether."

At Kerr's office witness took possession of a book containing newspaper cuttings and a copy of a journal which had a name pencilled on it.

Mr. Elsieley Zeitlyn (for Kerr) said, "We are most anxious to meet this charge."

Bail Refused.

"I am going to oppose bail in this case," said Mr. Owen, "because of the mental state of the man at the time." When Capt. Dennis was told that he would be charged he said to the police:

"I may tell you that for some months that man has been seducing my wife and has used a pack of lies to cover it up. When a man comes into your house as a bosom pal and seduces your wife it is an unpardonable thing. I decided to kill him and then myself. That is why I went to London. Now I am in your hands I shall not trouble to see him."

Mr. J. R. Barry (for the defence) asked for bail, and said that, like many other Army officers, Capt. Dennis was in the habit of carrying firearms. During the time he had been in the hands of the police he had had time in which to calm down.

"I do not think that it can be seriously suggested," continued Mr. Barry, "that Capt. Courroux is in any real danger of his life."

The chairman, refusing bail, said: "With the threat to life, we cannot consider bail in any circumstances."

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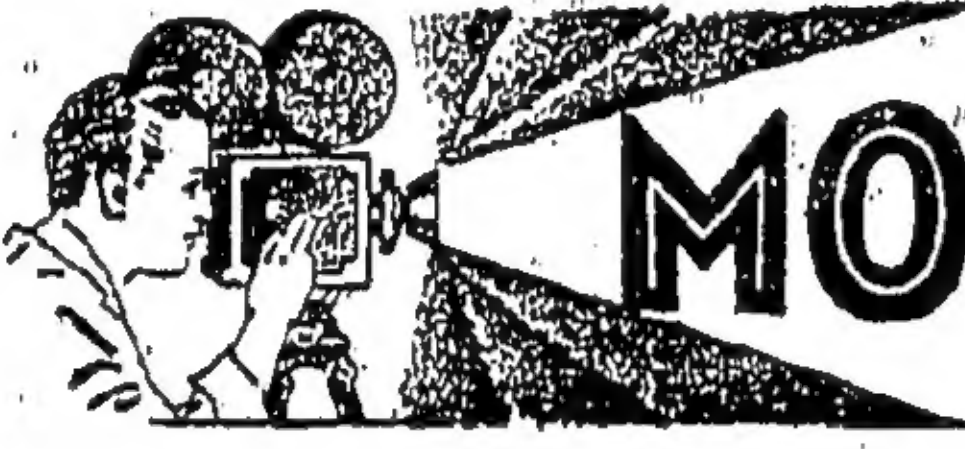
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its major location in "The Hottentot,"
directed by Roy Del Ruth from
Harvey Thew's Vitaphone adaptation
of the Mikes-Coller stage comedy.
It is coming to the Queen's Theatre
shortly.Although essentially a comedy of
characterization, "The Hottentot,"
has for its climactic scene a classic
of high comedy in which a terrified
lover, "jockey" brings home the
wreath of victory after a series of
hilarious mishaps over the course.
The all-star cast includes Edward
Everett Horton, Patsy Ruth Miller,
Edmund Breese, Edward Earle,
Stanley Taylor, Otto Hoffman,
Douglas Gerrard and Maude
Turner Gordon."THE BORDER
LEGION."ZANE GREY THRILLER AT
"CENTRAL."Richard Arlen and Jack Holt in
Zane Grey's "The Border Legion,"
an outdoor, all-talking picture, at
the Central Theatre, opened last
night to an enthusiastic audience.
"The Border Legion" has swift,
action, hard riding and romance.
There is great suspense as Arlen,
Holt and Stanley Field face each
other with guns in their hands and
fight it out for the love of Fay
Wray. There is comedy with that
drill character of the S. S. Van
Dine murder mysteries and "The
Virginian." Eugene Pallette, lead-
ing the fun. There are magnificent
vistas, gorgeous backgrounds, vast
herds of cattle, and always "The
Border Legion," riding, joking,
fighting, terrorizing."The Border Legion" with its
stellar cast of lead and character
players is one of the most ambi-
tious and best of the western out-
door talking films. "The Virgin-
ian," Paramount's first audi-
ble action drama of the outdoors, in-
troduced a great series of westerns,
filled with entertainment and true
to the old and new traditions of
the screen. This picture is parti-
cularly noteworthy because it
brings back to Zane Grey drama
the outstanding portrayal of Zane
Grey roles of silent picture days,
Jack Holt. His speaking voice is
as virile as his action has always
been.This combination of Paramount,
Zane Grey, Richard Arlen, Jack
Holt and Fay Wray means vivid
and thrilling action.Chester Morris, featured in
"The Bat Whispers"

"THE BAT WHISPERS"

REAL THRILLER AT THE
QUEEN'S.Our old friend "The Bat" makes
an excellent talkie, and a visit to
the Queen's Theatre during the run,
is warmly recommended. If you
saw "The Bat" as a silent film
you have probably forgotten all
about it, and you will find yourself
caught up once more in a welter
of thrills and horrors. Incident
tumbles after incident, eerie, mys-
terious and unexplained, but it
keeps you on tenterhooks. The
story deals with a lonely country
house, where plunder from a bank
robbery is stored, and the attempts
to frighten the cool and determined
lady who owns the place to leave
it and give the criminals a clear
run.Amid the "ghostly" twists and
turns, the crimes and the secret
rooms move detectives and an old
doctor, the heroine and her sweet-
heart, and a gang of comical people,
terrified by the Bat and spurred
on to some sort of courage by the
indomitable old lady.If you guess the identity of "The
(Continued at foot of next column.)

GOSSIP AND FACT.

When Jascha Heifetz gives his
evening concert at the King's
Theatre, on Friday at 8.30 p.m.
The repertoire will consist of the
selected works of Bach, Schubert,
Debussy-Hoffman, Ravel, Vitali,
and others. Mr. Heifetz will be ac-
companied on the piano by Mr.
Isidore Achron.Some of the films shown recently
in London were:—"Fighting Caravans" at the
Plaza Theatre, "Bad Company"
at the Leicester-square Theatre,
"Alexander Hamilton" at the New
Gaiety, and "The Modern Age"
at the Empire."The Calendar" at the Capitol,
"Bought" at London Pavilion,
"The Unholy Garden" at the
Dominion, "Merely Mary Ann"
at the Tivoli Theatre, and "The
Mad Genius" at the Marble Arch
Pavilion. "My Sin," Tallulah
Bankhead's second picture, was
shown at the Carlton Theatre.Miss Renate Muller, a star from
the Berlin stage, is appearing with
Mr. Jack Hulbert and Mr. Owen
Nares in a musical comedy, "Sun-
shine Susie," now being made at
the Gainsborough Studios, Eng-
land.Miss Betty Balfour is making a
"come-back" in British talkies
with "Paddy the Next Best
Thing."The successful career of Harvey
Stephens, now playing in "The
Cheat," with Tallulah Bankhead
and Irving Pichel at the Paramount
New York studios, is based upon
failure. Before going on the stage,
Stephens tried to sell bonds, real
estate, Ford's and mining claims.
He failed in all.Bat" you will be smart indeed, for
there is a clever and deliberate
confusion. "The Bat Whispers"
is good exciting stuff, and the time
flies all too quickly while he is on
the screen."THE CHANCE OF A
NIGHT-TIME."

DON'T MISS IT!

"The Chance of a Night-Time,"
the farce specially written for the
screen by Ben Travers, is to be
shown at the King's for the last
time to-day. It is interesting to
see how Travers has tackled a farce
not intended for stage production.
He had been told that it was all
very well to reproduce his stage
successes on the screen, but what
about something new—something
essentially "cinema"? His answer
is "The Chance of a Night-Time,"
and in this film we see
Ralph Lynn in a new light, part-
producer as well as leading play-
er. I am told that it has been
written with a view to giving
Ralph Lynn opportunities for dis-
playing his inimitable brand of
humour. He has the role of a very
harmless scoundrel who, mistaken
for a famous dancer, is taken to a
country house where he is to give
an exhibition. The charming lady
partner played by Winifred Shot-
ter, persuades him to carry on with
the deception as the dancer has not
turned up, and trouble will ensue
for her. He does and the house-
party are given entertainment as
unexpected as it is funny. Kenneth
Cove, famous in many Aldwych
successes for his vacuous expression
and his too-tired-to-speak manner,
has a role that suits him well. One
of the biggest laughs in the picture
is when he is asked the meaning of
a word he persists in using, and
the explanation proves how very
tired he must be to abbreviate such
a brief expression as "O.K."
Nevertheless, he does!his gaze. If the Nautilus should
lose him . . . perhaps he didn't
think too much of this possibility.
But the Nautilus returned safely
to civilization, after one of the
most perilous explorations ever
underaken by man, and Dored
brought back his film in perfect
condition. A new suit he put on
before making the trip was ruined.
His great coat was in tatters. He
was pale and weak from the sunless
weeks below the frigid ocean. But
his film, which he guarded care-
fully every minute of the return
journey, was remarkable for its
clearness. It was rushed to America
on a fast express liner.

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records of any cameraman in the
world, boarded the Nautilus at
Tromsø, Norway. Sir Hubert
found him a courageous explorer,
an invaluable scientist, and a great
general aid to the expedition, and
the name of Dored was frequently
mentioned in the leader's wireless
messages to American newspapers.
The Nautilus became useless after
her gallant battle with the ice,
and was sent to an eternal grave
in the North Atlantic. But the
story of the Jules Verne adventure
under the frozen Arctic will be
preserved for posterity through the
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and the foresight of the Editor who
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CAMERAMAN.Working under conditions never
before encountered, in the cramped
quarters of an almost obsolete sub-
marine, often risking his life for
a thrilling "shot," John Dored has
again given Paramount Sound News
another triumph.This intrepid staff cameraman
used his camera to record the saga
of Sir Hubert Wilkins' dash under
the polar ice," said Emanuel Cohen,
head of Paramount Sound News,
after receiving the news of Dored's
adventures. "It is a breath-tak-
ing story as has never been flashed
on the screen," he added.Through the efforts of Dored the
scenes of the Nautilus plunging
through the Arctic ice, shattering
huge ice fields, and finally plung-
ing under the bergs are now being
shown. Dored even managed to
secure shots while the Nautilus was
under the ice cap a few hundred
miles from the North Pole, show-
ing how the Wilkins craft was
almost trapped beneath the frozen
sheet of water. When these scenes
were taken neither Wilkins, Dored,
nor any member of the crew knew
whether he would ever again set
foot on the top of the ice, much less
on the earth's surface.

Awful Discomfort.

It was dreadfully cold inside the
Nautilus, so that the men were
forced to sleep in their tiny metal
hammocks slung from the sides of
the vessel by chains, wearing their
heavy fur overcoats. But it was so
much colder outside, many degrees
below zero, that the humidity cre-
ated caused a constant dripping of
ice moisture on the upturned faces
of the sleepers. Conditions were so
utterly discomforting that the crew
slept only when utterly exhausted.
And even then a sudden list of the
slim undersea boat was likely to
throw them from their bunks.The constant grinding of the ice
on the craft's sides was nerve shat-
tering. The motors failed several
times and the heavy reek of burned
oil permeated every nook of the
crowded vessel.But Sir Hubert Wilkins and his
band pushed on, and with them
Dored, taking pictures wherever
possible, never losing his perspec-
tive as a trained news man. When
the Nautilus bored her way to the
surface, Dored would unpack the
little rubber rowboat and set out
for a nearby cake of floating ice.
He didn't take pictures from the
rowboat—not steady enough—but
preferred to risk his life on the
slippery top of a small berg, where
a miss-step meant almost certain
death, so that the quality of his
work should remain high.

Left Alone!

From the ice he pictured the
Nautilus plunging below the sur-
face. What his thoughts must have
been as the boat went below! The
last link in a thousand miles of
frozen wastes slipping out of sight.
But Dored sighted his lens and
pushed the button. Then he'd sit
down on his ice cake and wait for
it to come back. At these times
only the limitless tundra of ice met
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BOOKS and READERS

MR. GUEDALLA'S LIFE OF
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THE HUMAN SIDE OF THE "IRON DUKE."

"The Duke" by Phillip Guedalla. (Hodder and Stoughton, 25/-). In "The Duke" by Mr. Guedalla we are approaching, at last, the perfect type of history book. The book is adequately bound; the pages are comely, unmarred by those irritating signs in the text which refer to footnotes and which can appeal to few but pedants, and helpful, with each opening telling us of the year concerned and the age of the "hero"; the "Authorities" should satisfy even the most donnish of historians and there is an index. The illustrations are good—the panorama of Waterloo being especially interesting, but the end-papers are particularly unhappy. If one must have pictorial end-papers let them be done with decency and restraint in black and white, but let them not display a schoolroom vulgarity of blue and fleshy pinks. It is almost presumptuous to criticize Mr. Guedalla's graceful and picturesque style unless one is able to pay a graceful and picturesque compliment; but the author's sense of the picturesque—often charming, as in the *Symphony in White* on p. 389—is apt in places to degenerate into mere affectation.

To most people the Duke of Wellington was a beak-nosed gentleman who won the battle of Waterloo owing to his opponent's mistakes, who was vaguely connected with politics in later life and who was the hero of several rather flimsy anecdotes, such as that of the rat and the bottle of port. In "The Duke" we learn more and meet a man who, unlike the good kings, had kings and weak kings of the "Little Arthur" school of thought, is refreshingly manlike and interesting. We meet a man who was a martyr to cold and to his necessity of answering letters; a man who was partial to women (his comment on the granting of local leave to his officers in Portugal is illuminating), hunting and children; who was full of odd sartorial and mechanical ingenuity (his anti-insect mattress and his fitting to enable one to read newspapers in the bath would be popular to-day); a man who was gruff but at bottom kind-hearted; and, above all, a man of great loyalty and devotion to duty.

Against a delicate sketch of the period in which he lived, we have an admirably focussed picture of the Duke. His youth and "education," his remarkable achievements in India, that queer interlude between India and the Peninsula and his post-war career are aptly proportioned and suitably stressed. With a charming background (What fun a house-party in his grandfather's house must have been!) and a clear portrait, even including the great man's books, we can perhaps excuse the fact that his purely martial exploits seem somewhat blurred, with only the phrases "bullocks and rice" and "blind slopes" readily visible. After all these things may be read of in other books, and his chief service to his country may well lie like a fine old man of our times—President Hindenburg—in his efforts to maintain peace rather than in his prosecution of the war that went before.

NEW NOVELS.

FESTIVAL. By Struthers Eurt. Davies 7s. 6d. net.
FULL CIRCLE. By Elinor Mordaunt. Secker 7s. 6d. net.
THE YOUTH OF JACOB ACKNER. Adelaid Eden Phillpotts. Benn. 7s. 6d. net.
THE COTTAGE MURDER. By E. R. Punshon. Benn. 7s. 6d. net.
"Festival" comes from America heralded as a "best seller" for six months, in that country. We can but hope that English readers have as fine a taste as the writer's countrymen, for this is a very good and well-written novel. It is the story of an American business man who retires at fifty in order to enjoy a life of leisure and to find therein some of the happiness that neither work nor marriage has given him. Alongside of his story runs that of his daughter, married to an Italian charming but unsatisfactory. The characterisation is uniformly excellent.

Mrs. Mordaunt's literary hero is built on singularly unheroic but life-like lines. Levermore Hurle used every relationship of life as pure "copy" for his not very inspired talent. He is, in fact, an unpoleable personality, but his career is drawn with skill and ruthless understanding of his make-up. Part of the story swings to the islands of the South Seas; and no reader of Mrs. Mordaunt's works needs to be told of her ability in such descriptions. A book that is out of the ordinary, and, of course, admirably

constructed to engage the attention of the ordinary reader, as well as those who look for literary qualities.

Frustration.

Deliberation is the keynote of Miss Philpotts' new novel, "The Youth of Jacob Ackner." It is very well done; but Jacob a consumptive of difficult temperament and somewhat impractical vision, is on the whole rather a dreary person. It is his development as a psychological problem that is the chief matter of the book.

He loves and marries a girl of charm and quiet strength, to whom the death of their son as a baby in Spain, and Jacob's death there shortly afterwards, means the end of life for her, and who thenceforth devoted herself to nursing in the Spanish hospital. As a study of frustration, as an intimate dissection of a nature warped by disease and poverty from its legitimate expansion together with some able portraits of the members of an artistic and idealistic coterie, it is exceedingly clever.

It is a happy idea of Messrs. Ernest Benn to produce novels and thrillers in a thin paper edition. Both Miss Philpotts' book and Mr. E. R. Punshon's excellent murder mystery, "The Cottage Murder," are in this new and welcome format.

Sergeant Bell, already well known to Mr. Punshon's readers, works at the mystery surrounding the murder of Randal Foss, and later that of George Glynn, the connecting link between the two crimes being hard to discover. Sydney Foss nephew and heir to the murdered man, finds himself mixed up in the tangle, and has some surprising adventures before the "unexpected denouement" is reached. A really well conceived and gripping story.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[All letters intended for publication must be accompanied by the name and address of the writer, not for publication, unless so directed, but as evidence of good faith.—Ed.]

THE ROTHSCHILDS.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONG KONG DAILY PRESS."]

SIR,—The following, which is an extract from the "Memoirs of Baron De Marbot" translated by A. J. Butler, may be of interest to many of your readers. It is particularly interesting because it dates the affluence of the Rothschilds who apparently owe all to the honesty of their ancestors.

"PATRICK C."

"The victory of Jena had immense results. . . . Besides the territory conquered from the Prussians, Napoleon confiscated the estates of the Elector of Hesse-Cassel, a punishment which his duplicity deserved. This prince, though summoned some time before the war to declare for Prussia or for France, had put both off with promises, waiting to array himself on the side of the conqueror. The avaricious sovereign had amassed a large treasure by selling his own subjects to the English. They were employed to fight the Americans in the War of Independence. Disloyal to his relations, he had offered to ally himself to the French, on condition that the Emperor would give him their states, so nobody regretted him. But his hurried departure was the cause of a remarkable incident which as yet is little known.

When forced to leave Cassel in a hurry to take refuge in England, the Elector of Hesse, who was supposed to be the richest man in Europe, being unable to bring away the whole of his treasure, sent for a Frankfurt Jew, named Rothschild, an obscure banker of the third rank, known only for the scrupulous practice of his religion. This seems to have decided the Elector to entrust to him 15,000,000 francs in specie. The interest of the money was to be the banker's, and he was only to be bound to return the capital.

When the palace of Cassel was occupied by our troops the agents of the French treasury seized property of great value, especially pictures, but no coined money was found, yet it appeared impossible that in his hasty flight the Elector could have carried away the whole of his immense fortune. Now since, by what are conventionally called the laws of war, the capital and the interest of securities found in a hostile country belong of right to the con-

queror, it became important to know what had become of the Cassel treasure. Inquiry showed that before his departure the Elector had passed a whole day with the Jew Rothschild. An imperial commission visited him and minutely examined his safes and his cash books; but it was in vain: no trace of the Elector's deposit could be found. Threats and intimidation had no success and the commission, feeling sure that no personal interest could induce a man so religious as Rothschild to perjure himself, proposed to administer an oath to him. He refused to take it. There was talk of arresting him, but the Emperor, thinking this a useless act of violence, forbade it. Then they had recourse to a not very honourable method. Unable to overcome the banker's resistance, they tried to gain him over by the bait of profit. They proposed to leave him half the treasure if he would give up the other half to the French administration. A receipt for the whole, accompanied by a deed of seizure, should be given him to prove that he had only yielded to force and to prevent any claim from lying against him; but the Jew's honesty rejected this suggestion also, and his persecutors, tired out, left him in peace. Thus the 15,000,000 francs remained in Rothschild's hands from 1806 till the fall of the Empire of 1814. Then the Elector returned to his states, and the banker returned him his deposit as he had received it. You may imagine the sum which a capital of 15,000,000 francs would produce in the hands of a Jew banker of Frankfurt. From this time dates the opulence of the Rothschilds, who owe to their ancestor's honesty the high place which they now hold in the finance of all civilised countries.

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BIG FIRE AT WUCHOW.

WOODEN HOUSE DISTRICT BURNT OUT.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Wuchow, November 27.
There was a big fire yesterday, which destroyed a large number of the wooden houses on the slopes of Northern Hill. Those who have visited Wuchow know the dense huddle of match-board dwellings in that district, and can appreciate how the flames spread, and the hopeless task of controlling the outbreak. It was a magnificent spectacle while it lasted, and only after two hours did the fire-brigade beat down the flames. The damage is estimated at \$50,000, and a very large number of people are homeless and have lost all their possessions.

The Government, however, took very prompt measures for relief, and the sufferers are being housed in some municipal buildings and well looked after.

Help for Ma Chan Shan.

General Ma Chan Shan is the hero of the hour and a large sum of money collected locally has been sent to him.

An exhibition of Japanese goods, held to enable people to learn to recognise the products of that country was arranged for November 28 and 29.

DOG OWNERS FINED.

PETS NOT MUZZLED IN KOWLOON.

At Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, Miss Dimini Alves, of 2, Minder Villas, was summoned for allowing her two dogs, to wander about without being properly muzzled.

In reply to the Magistrate Miss Alves said:—"I plead guilty to the first summons, but with regard to the other one, I did not know that dogs under three months had to have muzzles."

His Worship: How old is your dog?—Two months.

You see, Miss Alves, the muzzling order applies to all dogs, but if your dog is under three months, I don't know why you should have taken out a licence for it. The Licensing Ordinance applies to dogs over three months. I am afraid your excuse is not very good. She was fined \$5 on each summons.

A similar summons was taken out against Mr. F. W. Stapleton of 113, Waterloo Road, who pleaded guilty and was fined \$5.

M.C.L. DINNER DANCE.

GOOD ENTERTAINMENT PROMISED.

The dinner dance on behalf of H.K.W.G. and M.C.L. charities which is to be held on Saturday, December 5, in the new grill room of the Hong Kong Hotel promises to be a most delightful affair.

His Excellency the Governor and Lady Peel have promised to be present, and a large attendance is expected, for quite apart from the fact that by going you will be helping an excellent cause everything that could contribute to a really successful evening seems to have been thought of by the organisers.

The dinner dance will celebrate the opening of the new Hong Kong Hotel grill room and we hear that the floor is perfect for dancing. A super-excellent dinner has been arranged specially for the occasion during which a band provided by the Hotel will play selections of classical music.

The dance music will be by Ronnie True and his Cheer-O Band—in other words it will be really good music.

If you have not already taken your ticket, you should do so as soon as possible. For \$10.00 you can get a ticket for both dinner and dance while the dance will only cost you \$5.00.

DEATH AT HOME.

PASSING OF FORMER C.D.I.

MR. WILLIAMSON MURISON.

His many friends in the Colony will regret to learn of the death at home, after a long illness, of Mr. William Murison, formerly Chief Detective Inspector of the Hong Kong Police Force, which took place at his residence, "Fairview," Mintlaw, Ayrshire, Scotland. The deceased was 61 years of age.

The late Mr. Murison joined the Hong Kong Police in July, 1885, at the age of 25, as a constable, and gradually working his way up, attained the rank of Chief Detective Inspector in 1914. He had a very successful career and retired on pension on October 2, 1923.

During his 38 years' service with the Force, he was highly respected by all who came in contact with him and on several occasions received deserved recognition for the invaluable services rendered. In 1901 he was granted the fourth class good conduct medal for extraordinary services.

The third class medal was awarded in 1914 for good work on the detective staff and in 1918 he received the second class medal. In January, 1921, he was granted by His Majesty the King "the King's Police Medal" for exceptionally valuable services.

During the visit of H.I.H. the Crown Prince of Japan, in December, 1921, Mr. Murison was the recipient from the Royal visitor of a silver cigarette case in appreciation of his work in connection with the Prince's stay in the Colony.

After retiring from Hong Kong in 1923, Mr. Murison returned to his native village.

He leaves a widow and a family of two children, for whom much sympathy will be felt.

SALE OF RACE PONIES.

BUYERS FOR TWENTY ANIMALS.

MANY WITHDRAWN.

There were over 40 ponies on the list of Messrs. Hughes & Hough's sale by public roup at the Jockey Club Stables yesterday. Only 20 were sold, many of the others being withdrawn for lack of bidders. Among the unsold ponies were three griffins, also King's Counsel, One Third and Monterey Bay.

The following were the ponies sold, the buyers, and prices realised:—

Jadestone, bay, Mr. Wo Kee	\$10
Brown Eyes, Mr. Mok Hing Wing	310
Bronze Eyes, Mr. J. C. Church	430
Nalli Secundus, Mr. Li Fuk Wing	300
Peppercorn, Capt. Cockburn	50
Brunswick Hall, bay, Mr. H. Y. Leung	370
The Card, grey, Mr. Wo Kee	5
Skion Dhu, brown geld, Mr. Potts	20
Fitzmaurice, grey geld, Mr. Potts	10
Vadio, bay, Mr. Wo Kee	10
Carnival Eve, Mr. Potts	20
Sans Souci, grey, Mr. Peter Young	85
Happy Day, grey, Mr. Wo Kee	15
What Is It, bay, Mr. Wo Kee	5
Mount Elburz, Mr. Mok Hing Wing	160
Miamis, ches., Mr. W. Y. Low	210
Cream Pony, Mr. Potts	30
The Plover, grey, Mr. Chan Wai Sim	800
Ponds, grey, Mr. Wo Kee	5
The Lombard, grey, Mr. Cheong King Wan	110

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CHRISTMAS COMPETITION.

POINTS FROM SOME LETTERS.

The results of our first Christmas competition have been even more interesting than we anticipated, illustrating as they do the extraordinarily wide divergences of opinion about this question of advertising. The first twelve letters received, all contained a different cutting, and later when duplicates began to come in, the reasons given in the letters as to why they had been chosen varied considerably.

The following extracts from a few of the letters received show that our readers are taking a keen interest in the competition. "An advertisement must first of all be attractive to the eyes so as to secure the reader's attention, and it must be short so that the readers will not feel impatient to read."

"It contains an illustration without which an advertisement is like a dark room without a window."

"It occupies one third of the page and so easily attracts the attention of the reader."

"Every word is clear in big block letters."

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"The advertisement is not too crowded and the white space with the black spots make it stand out on the page."

Letters received before noon today will be accepted for the 1st competition. If you have not entered for the first don't forget to try for the second—the best advertisement between November 30 and December 5.

Put aside a cutting of the advertisement that you consider best each week so that after Christmas you can make your final choice for the \$50.00 competition.

TICKET NUMBER CHANGED.

RACE-COURSE GANGSTER SENTENCED.

Brought before the Magistrate on a charge of forgery and receiving money by that means, a Chinese named Yeung Tong was sentenced to six months' hard labour yesterday.

It was stated that the defendant tried to obtain a dividend of \$71.80 on a placed pony during the last extra race meeting by deleting the second digit from Ticket No. 14. In reply to the charge he said that the ticket had been passed on to him by a friend who had since disappeared.

Detective Sergeant Kennedy told the Court that the defendant was a member of a criminal gang who were frequenters of the course at race meetings.

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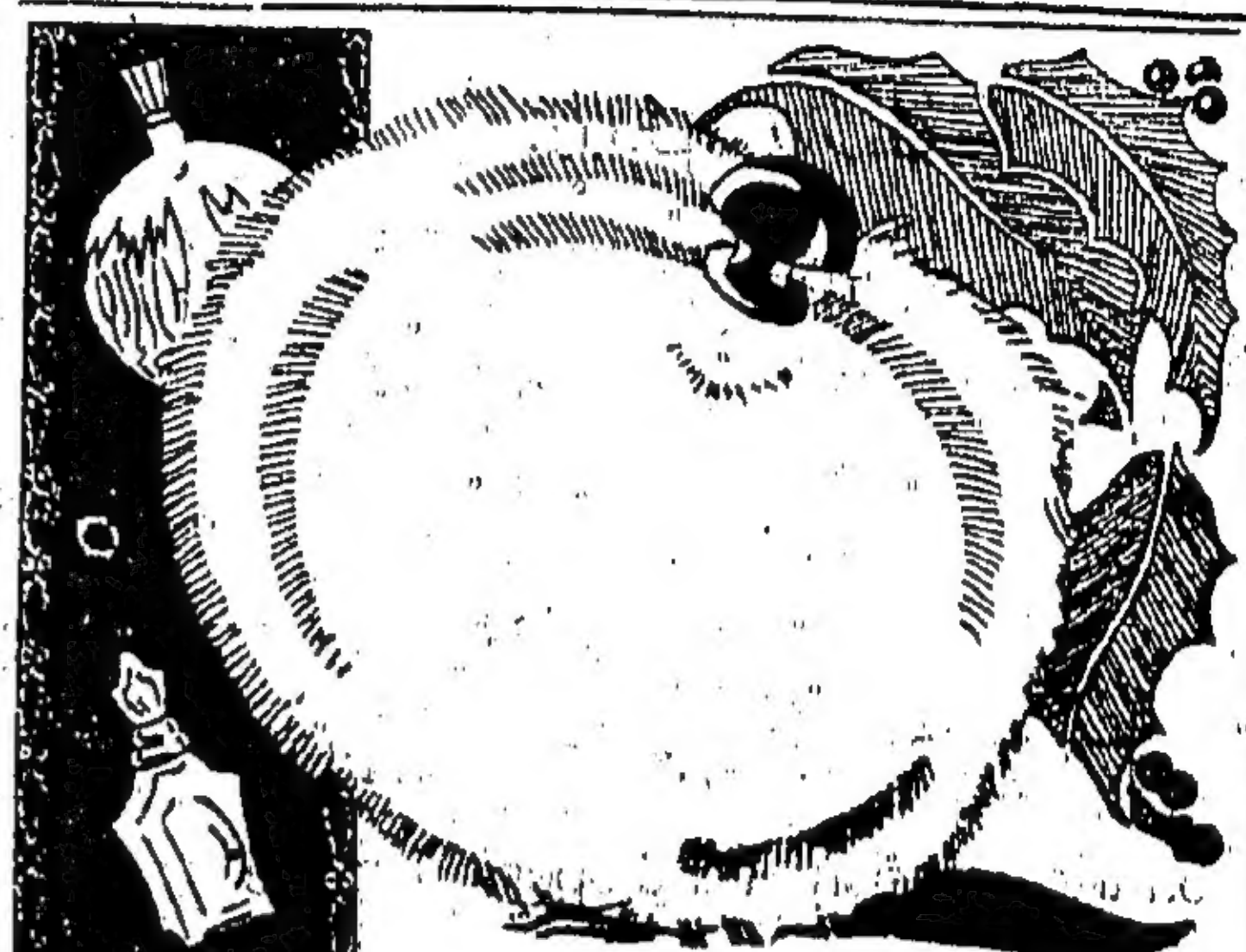
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"ALSACE-LORRAINE OF THE EAST."**PROMINENT CHINESE STATESMAN ON THE MANCHURIAN EMBROGLIO.****SOLUTION OF PRESENT MISUNDERSTANDING: JAPAN'S INTERESTS MUST BE RECOGNISED.**

An instructive and impartial discourse on the situation in Manchuria, coupled with a suggestion as to the ultimate solution of the dispute between China and Japan over this "Alsace-Lorraine" of the Far East, was given by Dr. C. C. Wu at the Rotary Club luncheon yesterday.

Sir William Hornell presided, and there was a large gathering of Rotarians present. In introducing the speaker, the Chairman said that he need hardly tell a Hong Kong audience that Dr. C. C. Wu was a Barrister-at-Law and an LL.B. with first class honours in the University of London. He was formerly Chinese Minister to the United States of America and a distinguished member of the Canton Government. The Chairman added that Dr. Wu was the son of the late Dr. Wu Ting Fang, an illustrious Chinese statesman.

In the course of his address, Dr. Wu stated that the contentions of China and Japan in regard to Manchuria were not irreconcilable. He said that while the exercise of political power by Japan in a portion of Chinese territory was repugnant to Chinese nationhood and intolerable to the Chinese people, the economic interests of Japan should be fully recognised, fully protected and, indeed, there was no reason why they should not be further encouraged.

HAS THE LEAGUE FAILED?

Dr. C. C. Wu said:—When the Hon. Mr. Shenton, who was a fellow passenger with me coming down from Shanghai, asked me to speak here to-day, I said that I should be pleased to come if I were here. I might as well confess it now, though I did not tell Mr. Shenton at the time, that I did not think I was going to be here to-day. Having made that rash promise I find myself here.

The subject is one which Mr. Shenton has been kind enough to choose for me. It is a subject which, as you know, particularly during the last two and a half months, has been engaging the best brains of Europe, America and Asia and has apparently not yet received a solution. You can hardly expect me to suggest a solution to this problem in the space of about twenty minutes. I might, however, present before you certain facts and observations which might possibly help you in arriving at a solution for yourselves and to your own satisfaction.

No Manchus in Manchuria.

We have to start with the somewhat paradoxical statement that Manchuria has no Manchus. The most that we can say is that Manchuria has Manchurians. That is not a distinction without a difference. The Manchus, as you know, were people, who, though akin to the Chinese, had a language both written and spoken which was entirely different from that of the Chinese. Roughly, about three hundred years ago, the Manchus gained possession of China as we Chinese say, more or less by a ruse. As they had to retain possession of this vast Empire, they stationed garrisons all over China, at least in the strategical and important places. As there were not so very many Manchus in those days, practically the whole nation moved into China to be soldiers and rulers and so in all important cities of China we had large Manchu garrisons. They were garrisons which were different from the ordinary present-day conception of garrisons in that the troops were there to stay. They brought their families with them and they had an entire quarter assigned to them in our principal cities.

The history of it was Manchuria was entirely empty of Manchus and had become practically a deserted country, not only deserted by the original inhabitants but no others were allowed to go in, to take their place because there was an Imperial Edict against Chinese immigration into Manchuria. That prohibition was removed in recent years with the result that large numbers of Chinese from the neighbouring provinces, obeying the physical law of nature, filled the vacuum and went in there in very large numbers, and so the Chinese or rather the inhabitants of Manchuria to-day are Chinese to all intents and purposes as much as the Cantonese are, and that is saying a good deal.

Manchuria is China.

That is why I say that the only Manchurians there are the inhabitants of Manchuria and not Manchus. It is as difficult to find a Manchu now in Manchuria as it was, before the Zionist movement, to find a Jew in Palestine. This point is of considerable importance because considerable efforts have been made to make out that Manchuria is, in some way or other, different from the provinces of so-called China proper.

The Chinese all over China look upon the inhabitants of Manchuria—or as we say the three eastern provinces—as absolutely Chinese and the Manchurians in Manchuria do the same. There is no separate ethnic or cultural entity known as Manchuria. That is one consideration I should like to bring before you.

Another one is this. When the present troubles arose in Manchuria, (you will observe that in my language, I am obedient to the injunction of the President to bring nothing in that is controversial), the Chinese relied exclusively on the efforts of the League of Nations, which is considered to be the Guardian of the Peace throughout the world. We had been hoping that, as the League had on previous occasions been extremely successful in dealing with problems of this kind, it would therefore be equally successful in dealing with this particular problem.

An Analogy.

Many of us will recall that in 1923 a case arose which was practically on all-fours with the present one. In October of that year, one of those frontier incidents arose between Greece and Bulgaria. Greece thereupon sent troops and occupied a portion of Bulgarian territory. The Council of the League was appealed to and M. Briand, who is, as you know now President of the Council of the League, was also at that time President of the Council.

With remarkable promptness and decision, without waiting for the Council to meet, he issued an appeal to the two countries not to aggravate matters and when the Council met a couple of days later the two countries were requested to issue orders within 24 hours for the withdrawal of their troops and that the orders should be carried out within 60 hours. This request by the Council of the League was complied with within the stipulated time. During the discussion at the Council meeting, when the delegates of Greece pleaded in justification of the actions of his Government in sending troops to occupy the territory of a neighbouring country, the reason of self-defence, M. Briand said that that plea was an extremely dangerous one. He told the Greek delegate that the League of Nations was there ready to answer the appeal of any and every

country to settle just such disputes as the one they had; that no country had a right to take the law into its own hands and that the plea of self-defence was an extremely dangerous one which very easily could get out of the control of the Government which was pleading it.

Dilatory Action by League.

This statement of the French statesman is considered to be a classical one. It has been endorsed by statesmen all over the world. It was, therefore, on the strength of this that China relied on the League. Unfortunately the same expedition and promptness has not been evidence in the present instance. We cannot go into the present difficulties or negotiations. You have read too much about them in our morning and evening papers, but we might direct our mind to a consideration of how this question of Manchuria is in the end to be settled between China and Japan.

It seems to me that it is not beyond the statesmanship of the two countries to find a solution and I would suggest one for your consideration. Naturally, such a suggestion, particularly an after-thought suggestion, can only be on very broad lines.

Japan contends that she has made great sacrifices in order to gain her present position in Manchuria. She furthermore says that, being a poor country from the point of view of natural resources herself, she has to depend on Manchuria for many of the things which are necessary to the life of a great and powerful nation like Japan. These things are conceded by reasonable Chinese. China, on

Given the closeness, the geographical proximity of Japan to Manchuria, Japan is, indeed, in a favourable position in regard to the trade and commerce and development of Manchuria. This is my humble suggestion.

Eastern Alsace-Lorraine.

It probably will not meet with the approval of the ultra-patriots of "China" or with the "Jingos" of Japan, but I believe that along these lines, and along these lines only, can we find a solution, and unless Manchuria is to develop into and become an Alsace-Lorraine of the Far East, this suggestion may be worth the consideration of the friends of both China and Japan.

The Hon. Mr. Shenton, in the course of a brief speech of thanks, characterised the speech of Dr. Wu as "an address which has been not only a most interesting one but also one to which nobody can take objection because it is instructive from whichever point of view one may look at it." He also said it was an inspiring address. There was always two sides to every question and the difficulty was to make up one's mind as to which was the right side. Dr. Wu's address was a sort of vista and it was one which permitted the audience to take a view one way or the other.

The Guests.

The Chairman welcomed the following guests:—Dr. C. C. Wu, Sir Harrison Moore, Mr. R. F. von Haast, Mr. W. T. G. Airey, Mr. Rodney S. Thomas of Chicago, Mr. M. A. Cooper, Hong Kong University and Mr. S. Hampden Ross, Hong Kong.

The Chairman said that Sir Harrison Moore was Dean of the Faculty of Law at Melbourne University, author of some authoritative work on the constitution of Australia, a recognised authority on constitutional law and had on several occasions represented Australia at the Imperial Conference and at the League.

Mr. H. E. van Haast, said the Chairman, was a Barrister-at-Law of Wellington, New Zealand and a member of the Senate of New Zealand University and of the Hawks Bay Adjustment Court, which had to deal with the settlement of matters arising out of the recent earthquake. Mr. Airey was a lecturer in history at University College, New Zealand, and Chairman of the Auckland League of Nations Union. All three are delegates to the Conference of the Institute of Pacific Relations.

Sir Harrison Moore, on being called upon to say a few words, said:—I have to thank you very cordially for giving me this opportunity of being present and I feel my presence here is not altogether inappropriate because what has brought my colleagues and myself to this part of the world is work which is entirely akin to the work which belongs to Rotarians all over the world—that is to say the promotion, particularly through the opportunities of social intercourse, of mutual understanding of the peoples of the world. That is the function of the Institute of Pacific Relations.

Institute of Pacific Relations.

In the case of the Institute of Pacific Relations, it has led to some very practical consequences, beginning with the meeting of a number of people who had this in common, that they were people of goodwill and were aiming at mutual understanding. What they found was that they themselves were without the equipment and knowledge in many matters to enable them really to discuss the things they had at heart, so the first thing they had to do was to go back and supply that deficiency in themselves; but they found also that the deficiencies in knowledge were something more deep and fundamental than that. They found that there were actually gaps of knowledge in many of these subjects which formed the background of international relation in the Pacific and that what was called for was not a study of blue books or of existing treatises, but a great deal of research and investigation (Continued on next column.)

HONG KONG STOCK MARKET.**YESTERDAY'S TRANSACTIONS.**

The market yesterday morning again came under the influence of a rise in exchange, and values consequently opened slightly lower.

Sales.

Unions, \$425.
Lands, \$81.
Ewos, Tls. 151/Tls. 16.
Hotels (old), \$15/\$151/\$15.30.
Telephones (part paid), \$207.
Trams, \$211.

Buyers.

Unions, \$420.
Shanghai Explorations, Tls. 240.
Providents (new), \$21.
Trams, \$211.
Electric, \$77.
Canton Ice, \$51.
Ropes, \$16.
Constructions (new), \$1.00.
Steamboats, \$24.
Wharves, \$152.
Hotels (old), \$15.20.
Hotels (new), \$14.60.
Telephones (new), \$207.
Cements (combined), \$109.
Amusements, \$194.
Hong Kong Government Loan, \$2 per cent. premium.

Sellers.

Rauhs, \$43.
Providents (old), \$51.
Trams, \$211.
Constructions (new), \$2.
Venezolian Goldfields, \$2.
Hotels (old), \$15.30.
S.C. Enterprises, \$10.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

There was no special feature to report. Markets were fairly steady during the day.

Sales.

Banks, \$1,570.
Lands, \$81.
Electric, \$77.
Amusements, \$20.
Unions, \$425.
Hotels (old), \$15.20.
Telephones (part paid), \$27.
Constructions (new), \$1.05.

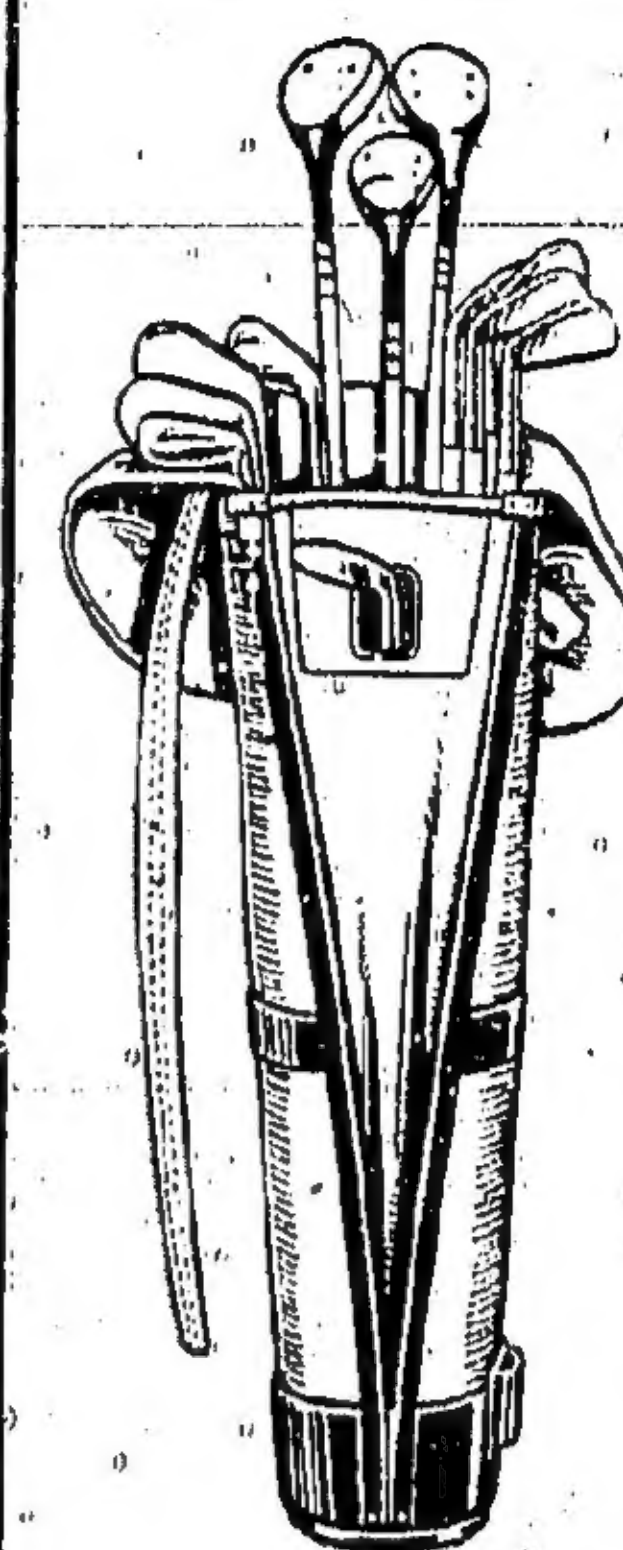
Buyers.

Entertainments, \$15.
Docks, \$31.
Telephones (part paid), \$27.
Hotels (old), \$15.20.

of the most strictly academic type and the most serious work of the Institute of Pacific Relations has been in bringing their practical experience of affairs to the discovery of those matters in which there were actual gaps of knowledge, and those matters which call for serious investigation and a great deal of valuable scientific research into matters of production as well as in matters of social relation is being carried on in various countries in the East and elsewhere under the auspices and stimulus of the Institute. From time to time the Institute meets in conferences where the results of these researches are talked over and where free discussions take place which have the function of indicating a new field for research and it is a conference of that kind from which we have just come.

Pacific Problems.

For myself, I would say this, that coming from a country which, geographically and perhaps in some other ways, is rather isolated, one's feeling is a feeling of the reality of certain problems, which one has looked at from afar, and as you know the effect of distance in regard to human affairs is very much the effect of time. That is to say, looking at things as through an inverted telescope, they seem to you not very important. We shall go back from this part of the world not with any belief that we know all or very much, not with any belief that we are able to solve anything, but we have had here opportunities of meeting people of a number of countries and we hope, at any rate, that we shall be able to do something to assist the public from which we come to a better realisation of the power that we each have in the life and relations of our countries.

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Hon. Secretary.

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Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

Bookmakers, Tie Tac Men, etc., will not be permitted to operate within the Precincts of the Race Meeting.

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DR. C. C. WU AND THE MANCHURIAN ISSUE.

Dr. C. C. Wu has earned the gratitude of Hong Kong people by giving before a local audience, the Rotary Club, a clear and statesmanlike summary of the responsible Chinese attitude towards the Manchurian problem. Dr. Wu began with an interesting resume of the manner in which Manchuria was denuded of Manchus three centuries ago in order to provide garrisons in Chinese strategic centres and to hold the Empire for the Tsing Dynasty. Dr. Wu told his hearers that in modern times the influx of Chinese to Manchuria, had made it as hard to find an original Manchu, as to pick out a Jew in Palestine, before the Zionist movement. Dr. Wu contended, in fact that there is "no separate ethnic or cultural entity known as Manchuria." In his opinion Manchuria was part of China proper in the minds of its own inhabitants and of all Chinese people.

Dr. Wu in referring to the action of the League of Nations, cited the incident of 1923, when Greek troops invaded Bulgaria and were ordered by the League Council to evacuate that country forthwith. M. BRIAND stating that the plea of "self defence" by which the Athens Government justified its action was "very dangerous." In that instance the League was obeyed. In Manchuria the withdrawal of troops had not been so expeditious, though, in Dr. Wu's opinion, the circumstances were similar.

Dr. Wu went on to outline his view of the proper solution of the Manchurian problem. He was emphatic that Chinese sovereignty must be maintained over the province. Anything less would be intolerable to Chinese nationhood. On the other hand, Japanese economic interests in Manchuria must be recognised and allowed to develop, under the protection of the Chinese Government.

It is over the last phrase that the Japanese have raised the controversy. Tokyo has no doubt submitted to the League of Nations the query: "what is the Chinese Government?" The League of Nations, and the Powers, recognise the Nanking régime over which CHIANG KAI SHEK presides. The Canton Government declares, how-

ever, that CHIANG is a usurper, and that, if necessary, it will depose him by force of arms. Again, what is the Government of Manchuria? Until the present crisis arose Marshal CHANG HUEI LIANG was the undisputed head of the provincial government. At the present moment he is subject to severe strictures and his position is in question. CHANG HUEI LIANG and CHIANG KAI SHEK, have, however, their immense personal armies, and to dislodge them would entail another Civil War. One of the Japanese complaints is that CHANG HUEI LIANG's government is inefficient and anti-Japanese. In this opinion they appear to have a great deal of Chinese, and especially Kuomintang support. Both Canton and Tokyo want a new government in Manchuria, but there the points of agreement end decisively, for Tokyo has attacked the Kuomintang as an anti-Japanese association and has no wish to see its effective rule extended to the three provinces.

In spite of all these difficulties, however, Dr. Wu's warning that Manchuria, if taken from China, will become a Far Eastern Alsace-Lorraine, remains unanswered. The facts stand up hard as a rock, and are capable of sinking any treaty or agreement. It is no use saying that Korea gives no trouble and that the plants of Manchuria are not interested in China. Nationalism is a live and growing force in China. To assume that the flame burning strongly to-day, will be dead to-morrow is unjustified by any experience of the past. In Manchuria moreover, the shadow of Russia looms over the border. Chinese statements would be more than human if they do not exploit Soviet interest in the event of a settlement that leaves China dissatisfied. The need is to create a government in Manchuria that will win the confidence of the Japanese settlers and not conflict with Chinese sovereignty. Dr. Wu does not regard the problem as insoluble and Baron SHIBUYAMA is obviously of the same view or he would not restrain his own militarists. Goodwill could settle the issue, but at the moment there is danger of the military again seeking to force a decision. But this is, if we take the long view, beyond the power of the militarists, for as NAPOLEON said, "You can do anything with bayonets, but sit on them." No country can, in fact, flourish under a foreign rule that it hates and is imposed by the force of arms.

TELLING ON WILLIAM TELL.

WILLIAM TELL, his bow and arrow, his son and the apple shot from his head, the tyrant Gessler, for whom WILLIAM had a spare arrow in case his aim proved untrue, all the trills and furbelows of one of history's most fascinating yarns, are definitely tagged as pure fiction by Mr. RAFAEL SARATINI.

To be sure, previous authorities handled the WILLIAM TELL incident somewhat gingerly, but none of them seemed courageous enough to gather it up, bow, arrow, apple and all, and throw it into the rubbish heap. This Mr. SARATINI has done. He definitely says that WILLIAM TELL, WILL, alias WILLIE, TELL never existed. It was a good story while it lasted, and it lasted about six centuries, despite rather timidly made statements from time to time that the WILLIAM TELL incident was as speculative an affair as the existence of evidence to substantiate it.

Historians who have searched through the six centuries for some isolated fact with which partially to verify the story have found nothing, not even the apple, according to Mr. SARATINI. They do not even know whether it was a BALDWIN or a MOLTORE Red. From time to time elaborations on the original story have added weight to its seeming authenticity, but even the wealth of detail with which dramatists and composers have dressed the thrilling story cannot be accepted as attesting its actuality.

Perhaps future excavations may produce a bow or arrow upon which WILLIAM TELL's initials have been carved. Until one of these or the apple shows up, one must continue to call in the traditional "grain of salt" in giving consideration to the historical value of this story. Even so, this myth, because accepted by the multitudes, has had more effect than many a so-called fact—and will continue to do so. WILLIAM TELL may never have existed, but he lives.

★ News and Views ★

Tale of the Day.

"But you are taking four-fifths of my damages."

"Quite. I furnished the skill, the eloquence and legal learning for your case."

"But I—furnished—the case."

"Boah, any fool can get run down."

Russian Aeroplane Without Wings.

An aeroplane which flies by means of a propeller without using wings, has just been constructed by a group of Soviet aviation specialists. The machine is claimed to be the result of three years' search work. It possesses great stability and requires no aerodrome for landing.

Mouse's 4,000 Miles.

A pet brown and white mouse which spent nearly a month in a motor-bus and travelled 4,000 miles, has just been returned to its home at the Rectory of Stoke Charity, near Winchester.

The mouse belonged to Miss Pat Edwards, the Rector's daughter, who is a pupil at a Winchester school, and had taken the mouse with her to school every day until it escaped.

Efforts to catch it failed but the "bun" went to Southampton for, overhaul and the mouse was then trapped.

Passing of the "Iron Duke."

Her last commission ended, the Iron Duke is to be disarmed and converted to some non-combatant purpose the nature of which My Lords have not yet revealed.

Although she has been afloat only nineteen years, this battleship may truly be said to have made history, since for the greater part of the war she was flagship of the mightiest Fleet in the world.

One of four sister ships, the others being Marlborough, Benbow, and Emperor of India, she has, like them, been prematurely sacrificed in the cause of disarmament.

Public School Fees.

The reports that parents of boys at public schools are attempting to induce the school authorities to reduce fees is borne out by the statement of a teacher who knows about these things, that 50 per cent. of the boys at a certain famous public school are being educated out of capital.

It is to be hoped that the boys themselves do not realise this, because the realisation that every hour of the Odyssey, for example, is eating into their ultimate inheritance would do nothing to increase their enjoyment of the Classics.

★ Local Notes and Events ★

The Hong Kong dollar registered a slight advance yesterday, opening at 1s. 4½/18d. on demand.

Yesterday being the Autonomy Day of Portugal, the Portuguese flag was flown from the fore-mast of all British and foreign warships in port.

Stating that he had been sent by the accountant, a foki in a grocer's shop at Saiwanho obtained the sum of \$450 from his master and subsequently disappeared.

The Hong Kong Automobile Association is holding its annual dinner dance on Friday, December 18, at the Peninsula Hotel. Tables may be booked each person being \$6.

We much regret the error made in our columns on Monday when we stated that the donations by Sir Robert Ho Tung to the Hong Kong University amounted to a total of \$20,000. In point of fact the figure should have been given as \$200,000.

Without Comment.

"What a romantic and sentimental crowd we are!" observes Lord Benverbrook's newspaper.

"Miss Salaman is young and pretty and brave. She embarks on a hazardous flight. It is true she has a brilliant pilot and navigator, but no one cares."

Naval Promotion in 1830.

Some curious facts about the Royal Navy of a hundred years ago have been brought to light.

When the state of the Navy List was examined in 1830 by a Royal Commission, it was found that the avenues of promotion were blocked by "Tite Barnacles" of the Nelson era, who had managed to evade retirement.

One admiral and a post captain were nonagenarians; seven flag officers were from 80 to 90 years old, and in the commanders' list the senior officers was 80 and the junior 26. All the palsied veterans were on half-pay, but they still kept their places on the active list.

Copied From the French.

At that date there was no recognised corps of engineers, although the Fleet already contained nearly a dozen steamers. The naval engineers were mere dockyard mechanics, who wore no uniform.

Our new warships were still built as copies of old French vessels which had been captured in action, and as late as 1846 H.M.S. Sans Pareil was designed from the plans of a French prize taken in 1794, the only concession to progress being the fitting of an auxiliary steam plant.

In 1831 tinned foods were, of course, unknown in the Navy, and it was not unusual to supply ships with "salt beef or pork which had been in the 'harness cask' for a hundred years.

"The meat was still appetising," says a contemporary report—which may have erred on the side of optimism.

Cost of the League.

The Prime Minister of New Zealand has protested against the increasing cost of the League of Nations, which, he said, is growing like a snowball.

One can understand his attitude, but one does not think he can quite realise how expensive it must be sending all these notes all over the world. And the League probably keeps several carbon copies of each, so the expenditure on stationery must be colossal.

South Coast Enterprise.

An encouraging example of the enterprise displayed by South Coast resorts in attracting residents for the winter season is provided by the borough of Hastings and St. Leonards.

A Londoner who was planning a November holiday asked for a local guide or handbook. He received by return a well-illustrated brochure printed in three languages, acclaiming in French and German, as well as English, the merits of the South Coast for winter holidays.

Miss Sheila Kaye-Smith, author of "Tamarisk Town" and many another Sussex romance, writes a foreword on the attractive and unspoiled country in the vicinity.

"Polly" Gets the Bird.

A grey parrot which travelled to Southampton from New York in the liner Aquitania but was not allowed ashore was sent back in the same ship.

The parrot, which is said to be over 100 years, is to be sent to England again when the restrictions imposed owing to psittacosis ("parrot disease") are removed.

Passive Resistance.

Austrian telephone girls have been urged by the Union to offer passive resistance to the Government as a protest against wage cuts. This announcement intrigues one. How does a telephone girl offer passive resistance?

It is supposed by "troubling subscribers more often but not being sorry about it."

LONG FIRM FRAUD.

SHARK FIN DEALERS LOSE \$1,900.

A long firm fraud involving a sum of nearly two thousand dollars was yesterday reported to the police.

It appears that on November 30 the Tong Lee Shark Fin Dealers were approached by a man named Shui Wing Fong, who stated that he was the manager of the Chung Hong Firm, of 128 Winglok Street. He ordered 750 catties of shark fins, worth \$1,900, to be delivered to the premises of his firm, agreeing to pay for them the following day.

When a call was made at the address given by a foki of the Tong Lee firm, with a view to payment being made as arranged, it was found that the man, Shui Wing Fong, had absconded, and only a few sticks of furniture were left in the rooms he had occupied.

The police are making enquiries.

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SHANGHAI TAILOR ASSAULT CASE.

RE-OPENED AT KOWLOON AND DISMISSED.

The case in which a Shanghai tailor was sentenced to 14 days' hard labour and 12 strokes of the birch for assaulting Mrs. P. Hawes of Prince Edward Road, was re-opened by Mr. J. A. Fraser, on his own initiative, at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon.

It will be remembered that in the initial hearing Mrs. Hawes stated that there had been some dispute over a piece of work which she had entrusted to the man, and following an exchange of words the defendant pushed her. The latter, however, denied this, and said that the complainant agreed to pay him \$2.50 for the work left when the time for payment came she gave him only \$1.

Leave to appeal against the decision had been granted to Mr. Horace Lo by His Worship on November 20.

Barrister Briefed.

When the case was re-opened yesterday it was revealed that Mr. Lo had briefed Mr. D'Almada in the case, and both Mr. Lo and Mr. D'Almada appeared before His Worship, and argued the defence on a point of law.

Mr. J. A. Fraser, in his summing up, said that it had been pointed out that there was an inaccuracy in the proceedings, in that during the course of the first hearing there was an adjournment to a room not in the Court and in the absence of the defendant, who therefore had no opportunity of cross-examining.

"I am entitled to merely review my decision," said His Worship, "and say it was wrong. The case is therefore dismissed."

INDIA - - - - -

THE EMPIRE'S GREATEST QUESTION

Premier's Statement Disappoints!

[THROUGH REUTERS AGENCY.]

LONDON, Dec. 1. That the Government intended unswervingly to pursue the plans for an "All India Federation" as the only solution of the problem was the crux of Mr. Ramsay MacDonald's eagerly awaited pronouncement on the Indian policy, when he closed the Round Table Conference, at which the Indian delegates failed to arrive at any satisfactory decision. The Premier added that in order to give his declaration the fullest authority it would be circulated as a White Paper in both Houses to-day, and

His Majesty will ask Parliament's approval during the week. Mr. MacDonald indicated emphatically that the present Cabinet fully accepted his statements of last January on behalf of the Labour Government as representing their own policy.

Loud applause punctuated the reading of His Majesty's message bidding the delegates not to let the problems "discourage or oppress" them.

Mr. Gandhi, all smiles, was in his customary loin-cloth, woollen shawl and thick blanket wrapped round his thin bare legs.

LOYALTY TO BRITISH THRONE

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Nov. 30. During the afternoon session of the India Round Table Conference a message was despatched to H.M. the King-Emperor tendering a loyal and heartfelt gratitude for the gracious favours once more received at His Majesty's hands. "They are deeply conscious of your Majesty's unfailing solicitude for the well-being of the Princes and the people of their Motherland, and they believe your Majesty needs no assurance that in no other part of your realm is there a livelier sense of loyalty and devotion to your Majesty's Throne and person."

The intense interest with which the delegates are awaiting the statement on behalf of the Government, which the Premier will make to-morrow, was again shown in to-day's speeches.

The Premier, who presided until a late hour, afterwards attended a Cabinet meeting at which it was understood the Government statement was finally considered.

THREE ANGLES

"During the sitting Mr. Jayakar said that the scheme had three angles: Federation, Central responsibility and safeguards. It had been accepted by Congress, India's greatest political organisation. There were many details to be worked out but they had no reason for muzzling the scheme by offering only part of it to India. If the Government brought out the whole scheme making their intentions clear, and providing for the removal of difficulties step by step, India would surely be patient providing only reasonable time were taken over it. India had set her heart on federation."

MOSLEM DEMANDS

Sir Phiroze Sethna declared that serious consequences will follow if only provincial autonomy were offered. Moslems and other minorities rightly insisted that when responsibility at the centre was given their interests should be safeguarded, but as they failed to reach agreement among themselves it now rested with Government to settle communal differences and all on Indians to work the new constitution in a manner leading to peace and contentment.

LORD READING'S HOPE

Lord Reading said that the method of conference had been completely vindicated and hoped that the method would continue. They could not hope at this conference to reach full agreement but sufficient agreement might be reached enabling India to accept proposals to be put before Parliament by the British Government. Although he was the oldest of delegates he devoutly prayed he might live to see a Federation of All India in active being and that Federated India might be prosperous and happy in its future and, above all, as it progressed towards its ultimate constitutional destiny it would always desire to continue to be a willing partner to the British Empire.

CO-OPERATION AND GOODWILL ESSENTIAL

Divan Bahadur Ramachandra Rao said it was absolutely essential for the success of the future of federation to secure co-operation and goodwill of the peoples of the

states. All reasonable concessions should be made to their legitimate political aspirations and federal citizenship should also be conferred on them. A new organisation of military policy and different organisation of the Indian Army was absolutely necessary in view of new political status now in sight and the whole question of peace of Indianisation should be re-examined by another committee.

STRONG ARMY REQUIRED

Raja Sher Muhammad Khan of Dera, as representative of enlisted classes, endorsed the Federal Structure Committee's proposal for establishing a council in India analogous to the committee of defence in England. He repudiated the suggestions that the size of army in India and the number of British troops should be reduced. No constitution could work unless they were free from foreign aggression and internal disorders.

PLEA FOR LIBERTY

Mrs. Naidu asked for a grant of complete liberty which would make it possible for free India to stand side by side with Britain in equal partnership.

FAITH IN BRITAIN

Shardar Sampuran Singh hoped that when people of several communities in India had the opportunity of managing their own affairs they would get communal differences into the right perspective, and he asked them to strive to re-establish in India faith in British justice which was the sole foundation upon which the Empire could endure.

WORK NOW EASIER

The Maharaja of Kutch said as a result of the last three months' work it would be easier for Indian states to make up their minds about the project of federation which, he said, merited careful and sympathetic consideration.

MINORITIES DISPUTE

Dr. Moonje said he would welcome federation that if states could not make up their minds that British India should be given constitution with Dominion status and full responsible Government which the Princes might join later. This would automatically produce communal agreement. If not, Government would be wise to avoid responsibility of arbitrating themselves and might refer the minorities dispute to the League of Nations.

A HINT TO THE PREMIER

Mr. Wedgwood-Benn said the conference could not take a final decision until the communal problem was solved. Was it not possible, however, to draw up the heads of understanding imposing reciprocal obligations which could be taken to Parliament and ratified? He urged the Premier not to let to-morrow be a day of pronouncements followed by compliance, but a day of reciprocal undertakings so that the second session of the Conference might be crowned by a treaty of goodwill.

FRANCO-BRITISH "TALKS"

ECONOMIC AGREEMENT TO BE DISCUSSED

[THROUGH REUTERS AGENCY.]

PARIS, Nov. 30. Immediately following M. Flaudin's return from London, it was announced that Franco-British negotiations, with a view to reaching an economic agreement, would shortly open.

M. Flaudin himself does neither deny nor confirm this, but he said all kindred subjects had been discussed in London, such as stabilisation of the pound, war debts, and reparations.

BRITISH IMPORT DUTIES

FURTHER TAXES IMPOSED

[THROUGH REUTERS AGENCY.]

LONDON, Nov. 30. The Board of Trade's second order, under the Abnormal Importations Bill, imposes, from December 4, a duty of fifty per cent. *ad valorem* on glassware (unscientific), yarns (wholly or partly wool), household linen, tissues (wholly or partly jute), candles, sporting guns, spoons, forks (except gold and silver), battery carbons, and eoir mats.

S. AFRICA VERSUS AUSTRALIA

NO PLAY YESTERDAY

[THROUGH REUTERS AGENCY.]

BRISBANE, Dec. 1. There was no play to-day owing to rain.

Kippax, suffering from the effects of a head injury, received earlier in the season, will not participate further in the match and is leaving for Sydney to-morrow.

Bradman is suffering from dysentery and it is doubtful whether he will bat in the second innings.

CHINESE AFFAIRS IN MALAYA.

THE CUSTOMS UNION. COMMERCIAL GUILDS' OPPOSITION.

A very important step with regard to the proposed customs union of Malaya was taken by the Singapore Chinese at a representative conference of the Singapore commercial guilds held in the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Chua Kek Hai presiding, when it was decided that an adverse reply to the questionnaire received from the commission appointed by the Government to inquire into the possibility of a customs union in Malaya, should be sent. A sub-committee of seven was also appointed to draw up the reply.

Opening the proceedings, the chairman said the object of calling the meeting was because the Chinese Chamber of Commerce did not consider it advisable to give any opinion or reply without referring the question to the various commercial circles. The matter was one which should be seriously considered.

After the Chinese version of the questionnaire had been read the chairman referred to the various conditions reigning in the Colony and the F.M.S. regarding customs duties and said that in Penang, Malacca or Singapore, which had been known as "free ports," no duties had been imposed on imports. There were duties on dutiable commodities but not on imports, but in the F.M.S., especially in Penang, Selangor, Negri Sembilan and Pahang, there were duties on goods imported into the States.

As a result of the economic depression, he continued, the annual revenue of the Straits Settlements had declined and was declining, and with a view to increasing it, and in the hope of finding out ways to replenish the depleted exchequer, the customs union was suggested.

Aggravating the Conditions. Further, he said that he thought the second item of the questionnaire was of great importance and deserved careful deliberation. There were many people who did not understand the "interpretation" of the words "free market," it being presumed that they did not mean free trade but that goods could only be transported to other places upon payment of the necessary dues. He, the speaker, was personally opposed to the proposed customs union. Referring to the recent increased taxation by Government, he concluded as follows: "If additional customs duties were again imposed, high cost of living would be the result, which would certainly aggravate the condition of various communities in the Colony."

(Continued on next column.)

SLUMP IN STERLING

TOUCHES LOWEST EVER RECORDED

[THROUGH REUTERS AGENCY.]

LONDON, Dec. 1. Sterling displayed a renewed weakness this morning, due to extensive selling by Franco, Holland and New York. The rate in New York depreciated to 3.27, the lowest ever recorded.

GERMANY WORRIED

BERLIN, Dec. 1. The fall in sterling since yesterday has disturbed financial circles, and the continual decline in British currency is viewed with concern as it is causing heavy losses to German banks, including the Reichsbank.

It is believed in some quarters that unless England wishes to risk further depreciation in sterling, it will shortly have to come to a standstill by agreement with her foreign creditors.

LONDON, Nov. 30. The pound sterling slumped heavily to-day, both in New York and in Continental centres, though the fall was not in proportion to the transactions recorded.

The heavy drain on sterling arises from the fact that Continental countries are drawing on their balances in London to pay their debts abroad.

No concern need be felt regarding the present depreciation, though at one time during the day the pound in the United States reached 3.38.

WEATHER REPORT.

Yesterday's weather report, forecast and remarks, issued by the Royal Observatory at 9 p.m., stated:—

A strong anti-cyclone remains central to the N.W. of Peiping. Local forecast:—N.E. winds, fresh; fine generally.

Mr. Lee Kim Su, referring to the advantages of a unified system of collection of duties in Malaya, said the staff employed for such collection would have to be reduced, it being only necessary to have institutions in Singapore and Penang and any other port which had direct external trade. It was not necessary to establish control in the interior.

If the customs union came into being Singapore would become less important as a commercial centre in the Far East, as most of its imports came from the Dutch East Indies and the Dutch islands, and if there were duties on such imports, the produce of the Dutch colonies would be shipped elsewhere.

Mr. Lim Kim Tian, a well-known member of the Singapore Chinese community, also opposed the proposal. The following sub-committee was appointed to draw up the reply embodying the opposition: Messrs. Tay Lim Teck (chairman), Chua Kek Hai, Lee Kim Su, Soh Peng Lee, Wong Peng-Tin, Tan Yew Ean and Kwong Siaw Boon.

Incidentally, it will be interesting to note that this is the first public expression of opinion that has been voiced, and as the Chinese comprise almost 70 per cent. of the population of the Colony it is not without interest and significance.

Calendar Reform.

In view of it having originated from a Chinese source, it may not be out of place to touch upon the suggested reform of the 12-month calendar, which problem will be discussed to-day by the League of Nations. The idea of changing the 12-month year to one of 13 months was first mooted by a Tientsin Chinese, Mr. Joseph Pohjeu Hsue, a student of chronology who has written two books, "A Glance at Chronology" and "The Eternal Calendar." The books have been sent for approval to the Chronological Research Committee of the League of Nations and have received its high commendation.

Only two propositions regarding reform are before the League for adoption. The first is that of a 13-month year, each month to consist of 29 days with an extra day at the end of the year and two extra days at the end of a Leap Year. Under this plan the first day of each month and each week would always be Monday and the need of a calendar would become almost unnecessary.

The second scheme of calendar reform before the conference is that known as "the year of equal quarters." Under its provisions the year would consist as at present of 12 months but each quarter would consist of a first month of 31 days and two succeeding months of 30 days. The extra day of the year would be intercalated between December and January and the extra Leap Year day between June and July.

SLENDER HOPE OF SETTLEMENT

CANTON OFFICIAL SPLIT MAY BE REMEDIED

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

CANTON, Dec. 1. There are still hopes for a compromise among the leading officials and delegates to the Kuomintang National Congress. General Chen Tai Tong is reported to have agreed in the main to the proposal of Mr. Hu Han-min and Dr. C. C. Wu for an amicable settlement of the differences, which caused the present split. General Li Tsung-chen and other members of the Kwangsi clique, however, still insist on the overthrow of Chiang Kai-shek. The Kwangsi General cannot under any circumstances bring himself into agreement with the Nanking ruler, even at this time when the country is passing through a serious crisis.

Canton Congress Adopts New Resolution.

(Fah Tze Yut Pao.)

CANTON, Dec. 1. A turning point was marked in when the Kuomintang National Congress, Canton, adopted a resolution at to-day's session to invalidate a previous resolution which was purported to repudiate the results and decisions of the Shanghai peace discussion between Nanking and Canton and which was responsible for the present split among the Canton Government leaders.

The Congress' new decision can be explained by the fact that the Canton military have been persuaded to show a moderate attitude towards the Nanking Government and is also the result of Mr. Hu Han-min's good offices.

Rumours alleging that the Canton Navy and Air Force contemplated declaring their independence have been definitely dispelled.

Hong Kong Conference.

LATER. A number of Canton high officials including General Li Tsung-chen arrived in Hong Kong to-day by special train.

Immediately on their arrival they proceeded to interview Messrs. Hu Han-min, Sun Fo and Eugene Chen to make arrangements to hold a meeting at Mr. Hu Han-min's residence.

The Canton officials hope to return to Canton with Messrs. Eugene Chen and Sun Fo to-morrow (2nd) if possible.

SHOOTING TRAGEDY IN JOHORE.

PLANTER FOUND DEAD IN BUNGALOW.

Mr. Arthur Neville Reed, manager of Niyor Estate, near Klang, was found shot dead last night in his bungalow.

Mr. Reed, who was about 40 years of age and single, had been in Malaya for a number of years. It is understood that he had suffered badly from fever lately.

His body is being brought to Johore Bahru to-day and the funeral will take place this evening.

Mr. Reed had been shot in the head with his own gun.

BIG BORNEO FIRE.

CHIEF TURNS OUT TO HELP AGAINST "ENEMY."

The oil tanker Poseidon went into Kudat this month to collect the surplus spirit left over by the R.A.F., says the *British North Borneo Herald*. When we say "surplus" perhaps we ought to say, what was left of the R.A.F. spirit. On the 12th, a tongkang, with 600 tons, equivalent to 2,400 gallons, of aviation spirit on board, caught fire, and blazed merrily for several hours. As the time it was moored about 30 feet away from the native wharf, and tied to the native wharf was another lighter with about 500 tons on board.

When the fire actually started the wind was blowing the flames over Kudat, but by one of those lucky chances which occur sometimes, just as the mooring rope burnt through, releasing the tongkang, the wind changed and blew the whole away a little way out to sea. We feel we ought to report it thus: "The fire could be seen 20 miles away, flames shot up to a height of 200 feet, and the explosions of the bursting tins could be heard at Limau Limauan."

From Limau Limauan, by the way, came Haji Salahudin, with a boat full of men, arms and parangs. He said he could understand a fire but he couldn't place the "popping," so he'd come "just in case." The Government wanted any help against the enemy, which he felt sure was attacking Kudat on all sides.

MANCHURIA - - - - -

FURTHER COLLISION INEVITABLE

Japanese Reinforcements For Tientsin

[THROUGH REUTERS AGENCY.]

TIENSIN, Dec. 1. The Japanese garrison at Tientsin is being reinforced by over a thousand men, equipped with field-guns and machine-guns, according to authoritative Chinese sources.

They report that three hundred Japanese marines and three companies (about 750 men) of Japanese troops arrived at Tangku at six o'clock last night and are expected to reach the Japanese Consulate in Tientsin this morning.

The situation in the city was quiet all day yesterday, though the heavy influx of refugees to the concessions from the native city continues.

Reports from Tokyo indicate that the Ma Chan Shan menace in the Tientsin region is again becoming serious and preparations are being made for a further collision, which is regarded as inevitable.

Apparently Ma Chan Shan learned of the withdrawal of certain of the Japanese troops from Tientsin.

Latest despatches from Mukden state that owing to the acute situation arising from Ma Chan Shan's movements, the main body of a whole brigade was despatched to Tientsin last evening as reinforcements.

Evacuation in the Liao River region, carried out at the express order of the Emperor on Baron Shidehara's appeal, is nearly complete.

AVOIDANCE OF SANCTIONS

LONDON, Nov. 30.

Sir John Simon, in the House of Commons this evening, announced that the League of Nations Council was continuing its efforts to find a solution of the Manchurian problem.

It was earnestly hoped that their joint endeavours would result in success.

Sir John Simon also stated that according to information available to British representatives in China, no Sino-Japanese fighting had occurred in the past ten days.

According to Press reports, the withdrawal of Japanese troops into the Railway Zone was proceeding to the utmost extent possible, but no official news to this effect, had been received.

Replying to Col. Wedgwood (Lab.) who urged the supreme interest of Great Britain in avoiding all sanctions and other warlike

commitments, Sir John Simon declared that the Government was anxious to avoid recourse to sanctions regarding this or any other disputes which came before the League.

Therefore, he said, they were concentrating, with the other members of the Council, on finding a solution to the problem by conciliation. This principle, he said, underlies the Covenant and the machinery provided therein as the basis of collective action.

A CHINESE OFFER

PARIS, Dec. 1. A communiqué issued by the Chinese delegation in Paris announces that if the retirement of the Japanese troops from the Chinchow region is confirmed by neutral observers on the spot and no fresh incident has occurred, the Chinese will then accept the Council's regulation and will not insist upon their demand for the complete evacuation of Manchuria by the Japanese on a fixed date.

BRITISH INVOLVED IN JAPANESE SCANDAL?

MOSCOW, Nov. 30.

Rumors that British intelligence service agents are involved in a Japanese scandal concerning the smuggling of arms to General Ma Chan Shan are mentioned in a telegram from Peking to the Tass Agency. Presumably Soviet interest in the alleged scandal has not been loosened by the earlier Japanese accusations that General Ma was getting munitions from Soviet friends across the Russian border.

The latest despatch published here says that numerous arrests are being made in Dairen and Mukden involving Japanese employees in Government and semi-Government institutions on charges of participating in the supply of arms to General Ma. The telegram adds that three carloads of arms, despatched from Dairen to Tientsin for the Chinese forces, have been detained at Mukden. Besides the many Japanese, those arrested for complicity, include Americans, Poles, and Lithuanians. The enquiry is being conducted with great secrecy since the preliminary results show that the alleged smugglers' organisation is backed by prominent Japanese and non-Japanese officials in Manchuria.



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JUNIOR CRICKET NOTES.

BORDERERS TO MEET CRAIGENGOWER THIS WEEK.

(By "L. D. W.")

Chief interest in cricket last week and was centred in the K.C.C.—R.E. and S. match at King's Park and although it was generally expected that the game would result in a draw, I feel sure no one expected to see Kowloon making so light of the soldiers' bowling. To knock up some where in the neighbourhood of two hundred runs against such a strong bowling team is, no mean feat and all the more credit must be given to the K.C.C. when it is taken into account that they got the runs at a pretty fast rate.

F. S. W. Smith again topped the hundred mark—his third century of the season. There can be no doubt that he is by far the best batsman in the whole of the second division. I am rather inclined to agree with this and unless I am very much mistaken we shall hear more about him before the season is out. Besides being a very sound batsman, Smith is a more than useful bowler, his medium right-hand round-the-wicket deliveries being extremely difficult to play at times.

Lawrence, too, played forceful cricket for his 75 runs but it cannot be said that he is as reliable as his club-mate although he is more enterprising once he gets going. He used to be quite a useful change bowler, but I see that he does not go in for this department of the game nowadays.

Civil Service Beaten.

The surprise of the week was no doubt the defeat of Civil Service Cricket Club at the hands of Craigenower Cricket Club but it must be admitted that the inclusion of E. R. Prince has strengthened the attack of the C.C.C. very considerably. A couple of seasons ago Prince used to turn out for the Indians but like one or two others he has now thrown in his lot with the Happy Valley team.

Civil Service are a very curious team—on paper they are as strong as any other but they do not seem to be able to get going. It is perhaps due to the fact that they do not spend much time at the nets—at least I never seem to see any of them and I am down that way most evenings.

These were the only league matches decided but there were a few friendlies, all of which ended very much as expected. As far as I know there is only one league game this week and that is the one between Craigenower Cricket Club and South Wales Borderers. If the latter turn out at full strength they ought to win and, as far as I can see, Craigenower will again rely on Prince to get the wickets. Kowloon meet the Indians in a friendly while the Club will be at home to Recreation. Both of these should turn out to be very interesting matches with the odds slightly in favour of the home teams.

INTERPORT SHOOTING.

TRIANGULAR COMPETITION WON BY SHANGHAI.

With an advantage of 14 over Singapore, and 31 over Hong Kong, Shanghai carried off the shield attached to the triangular interport rifle-shooting contest. The scores were—

Shanghai 942
Singapore 928
Hong Kong 921

Shanghai and Singapore had shot earlier in the year, and the Hong Kong team went to the ranges at Stonecutters on Sunday.

"SENTIMENTALITY"

INTERESTING PAPER AT ENGLISH ASSOCIATION.

PROF. SIMPSON'S ADDRESS.

At the meeting of the English Association held yesterday afternoon at the Helena May Institute, the chair was taken by Bishop Dupuy, who, after the minutes of the last meeting had been read, called on Professor R. K. M. Simpson to deliver his address on "Why we are Sentimental."

After defining sentimentality as the exaggeration of trivial emotion, the lecturer briefly surveyed the sentimental in morality, religion, justice, politics and art, illustrating his remarks with a wealth of anecdotes and allusions.

Literature, he said, was the branch of art in which it was most difficult to separate the sentimental from other qualities. The novel was the most popular and the most sentimental form of literature, the drama too depended on sentiment for its appeal. Professor Simpson proceeded to a consideration of the development of sentiment in literature. It had been almost dead since Cervantes until the revival in the eighteenth century, heralded by Rousseau in France, Sterne in England and by Henry Mackenzie and Burns in Scotland. It flourished in the works of Wordsworth and Coleridge and all the great masters of prose and verse of the Romantic School. Jane Austen alone stood aloof and warned her readers against it.

Sentiment in Literature.

In more modern times literature has been in close touch with sentiment and mankind had been seriously affected by it. The great humanitarian movements of the last century had all been inspired by the sentimental in literature: as Wilde said, "Life imitates Art." There was a danger, of course, that men might be influenced by false sentimentality.

In conclusion, the lecturer said that it would seem that sentimentality was not an innate quality in man but had been gradually acquired by him, chiefly through books. The great writers had given it to us and the world would be a poor place without it.

A brief discussion followed in which Mr. Hindsyde, Mrs. Ralston, Sir William Hornell, the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern, Mr. G. P. de Martin, and Mrs. Southern took part.

After thanking the speaker for his most interesting and provocative paper, the Chairman announced that at the next meeting of the Association on Tuesday, January 5, Mrs. C. E. L. Grist would speak on "Magazines."

MURDER PLANNED IN PRISON.

POLICE THEORY OF NEW YORK GANG KILLINGS.

New York, Nov. 24.—A gangster murder directed from goal is the police version to-day of recent murders in which the bodies of two members of the gang of "Dutch" Schultz were found in a deserted part of the Bronx.

The police believe that Vincent Coll, who is at present in goal in connection with the notorious daylight baby shootings in Harlem last September, ordered the execution of the victims, who were members of a rival gang. The police later discovered the body of another man, who is believed to have been murdered as a reprisal for the Bronx killings.

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11.30 a.m.—Chinese recorded programme.

12.30 p.m.—European programme of Victor and H.M.V. records.

1 p.m.—Local time and weather report.

1.30 p.m.—Rugby Press news, mail notice, etc.

2 p.m.—Close down.

4 to 6 p.m.—

Dance Programme.

Fox Trot—"Black Eyes."

Fox Trot—"Trees"—22728.

Fox Trot—"Let's Drift Away on Dreamer's Bay."

Fox Trot—"Now That I Need You, You're Gone"—22905.

Fox Trot—"It's a Long Time Between Kisses."

Fox Trot—"Love Letters in the Sand"—22709.

Fox Trot—"Moanin'."

Fox Trot—"The Mystery Song"—22300.

Waltz—"The Kiss That You've Forgotten."

Waltz—"I'm Just a Dancing Sweetheart"—22706.

Fox Trot—"I Idolize My Baby's Eyes."

Fox Trot—"How's Your Uncle?"—22503.

Fox Trot—"Sweet Summer Breeze."

Fox Trot—"You Call It Madness"—22904.

Fox Trot—"If I Have to Go on Without You."

Fox Trot—"When You Press Your Lips to Mine"—22708.

Waltz—"Kiss Me Goodnight, Not Good-bye."

Fox Trot—"The Cute Little Things You Do"—22782.

Fox Trot—"I'm Thru With Love."

Fox Trot—"You Don't Know What You're Doing"—22677.

Fox Trot—"Can't You Read Between the Lines."

Fox Trot—"Let Me Hum a Hymn to Her To-night"—22696.

Fox Trot—"Moan, You Moaners."

Fox Trot—"Roll On, Mississippi, Roll On"—22693.

Waltz—"Always."

Waltz—"Princess Flavia—Medley"—19955.

Fox Trot—"Why Shouldn't I?"

Fox Trot—"To Whisper Dear, I Love You"—22702.

Fox Trot—"You Don't Need Glasses."

Fox Trot—"Building a Home for You"—22704.

Fox Trot—"Nevertheless."

Fox Trot—"Look in the Looking Glass"—22722.

Fox Trot—"I was Only Tensing You."

Fox Trot—"Maybe It's the Moon"—22727.

Waltz—"Girl of My Dreams."

Waltz—"Maria, Mari"—22563.

This programme will be interrupted, for a relay from the Peninsula Hotel of H.E. the Governor's and Sir Robert Ho Tung's speeches on the occasion of the latter's Golden Wedding anniversary.

6 to 8 p.m.—Chinese programme.

6 to 8.30 p.m.—Chinese children's programme.

8 to 10.30 p.m.—European programme of Victor and H.M.V. records.

8 p.m.—Local time, weather report, mail notice, etc.

9.05 to 9.20 p.m.—

Band Music.

"Forge in the Forest" (Michaelis).—Pryor's Band.

"National Game" (Souza).—Souza's Band.—B3010.

"A Musical Switch" (arr. Alford).—Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards.—C1590.

8.20 to 8.55 p.m.—

A Concert.

Violin Solo—"The Rosary" (Nevin-Kreisler).

Violin Solo—"Mighty Lak a Rose" (Nevin-Kreisler).—Fritz Kreisler.—1320.

Song—"Twilight" (Hamilton).

Song—"My Little Nest of Heaven. Blue" (Spaeth-Lehar).—Maria Jeritz (Soprano).—1234.

Piano Solo—"Spring Song" (Mendelssohn).

Piano Solo—"Murmuring Zephyrs" (Jensen-Niemann).—Rudolph Ganz. 1508.

Song—"Because" (D'Hardelot).

Song—"The Gentle Maiden" (arr. Somervell).—Walter Clynn (Tenor).—B3216.

Violin Solo—"Negro Spiritual Melody" (Dvorak-Kreisler).

Violin Solo—"Song of the Volga Boatmen" (arr. Kreisler).—Fritz Kreisler.—1122.

9.35 to 9.57 p.m.—

Operatic.

"La Traviata—Potpourri" (Verdi).—Marak Weber and his Orchestra.—V.80010.

Song—"Porgi, Amor" (Love, I Pray Thee) (from "Le Nozze Di Figaro"—Mozart).—Florence Austral (Soprano)—D1446.

Piano Solo—"Walkure—Magic Fire Scene" (Wagner Trans. Brassin).—Julius Schendel.—32936.

Song—"Tannhauser—The Evening Star" (Wagner).—Marcel Journet (Bass).—1274.

9.27 to 9.55 p.m.—

Variety.

Song—"A Cottage for Sale."

Song—"Cryin' for the Carolines"—Gracie Fields.—B3463.

Organ Solo—"A Little Kiss Each Morning."

Organ Solo—"If I had a Talking Picture"—Reginald Foort.—B3324.

Humorous Dialogue—"An Old Flame"—John Henry assisted by Gladys Horridge.—B3278.

Song—"True Blue Lou."

Song—"Same Old Moon."—Same Old Tune.—Johnny Marvin. (Comedian).—22123.

Orchestral.

9.55 to 10.30 p.m.—

"Czar Sultan—Suite No. 3" (Rimsky-Korsakov).—London Symphony Orchestra conducted by Albert Coates.—D1491.

"New Year's Eve in New York" (Janssen).—Victor Symphony Orchestra.—35986.

"Rienzi"—Overture (Wagner).—Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra under the direction of Leopold Stokowski.—6324.

10.30 p.m.—Rugby mid-day Press news and Board of Trade London letters.

10.30 p.m.—Close down.

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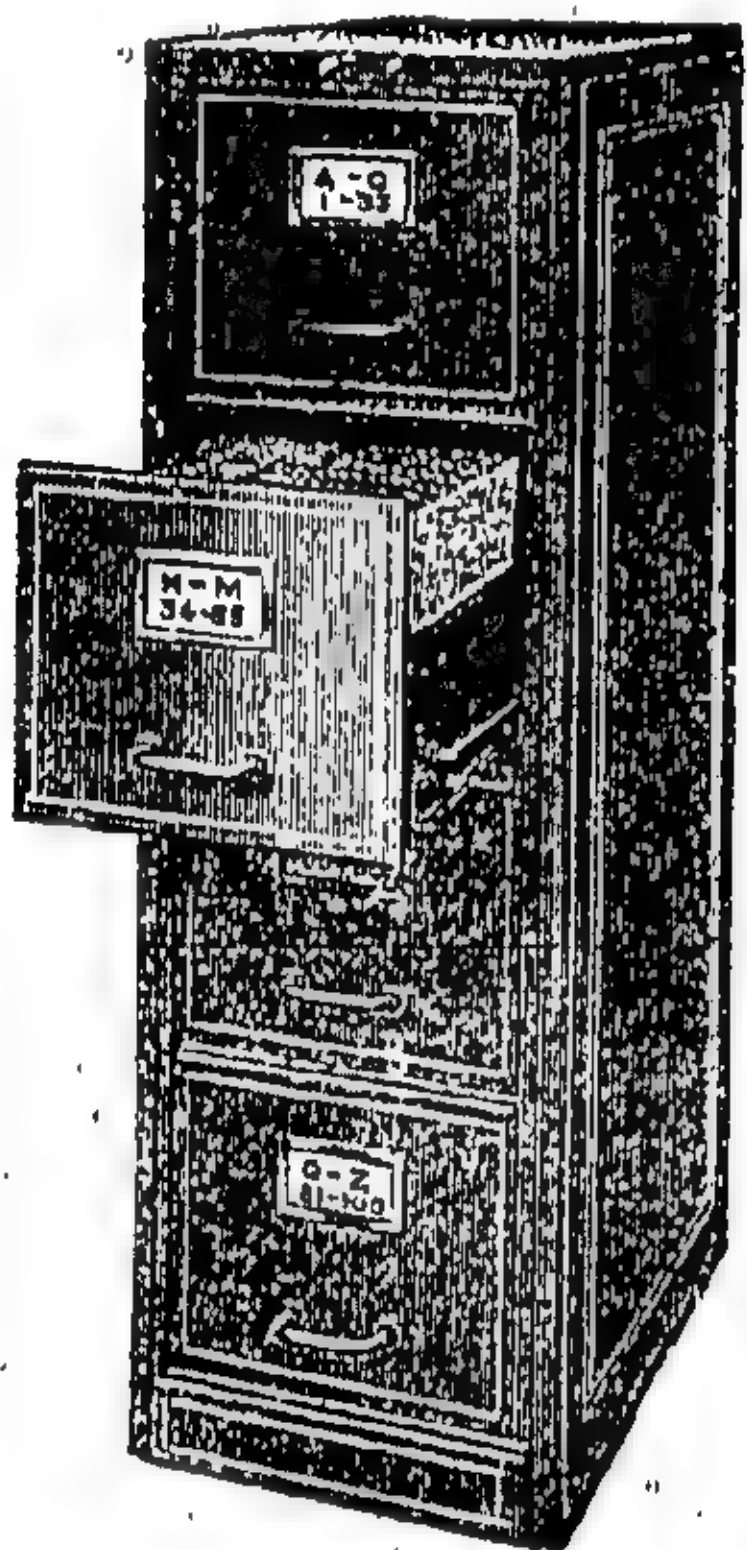
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INCREASE IN AVERAGE TIN AND RUBBER PRICES.

With the issue of the Malayan trade statistics for October it is revealed that for the first time this year both the import and export trade showed an increase, as well as the commodity prices.

The rubber average price was up from 7.38 cents to 8.2 cents per lb., and tin rose from \$80.73 to \$84.61 per picul.

Imports from the U.S.A. were up but exports were slightly down. To some extent this is due to the stimulation of trade following the abandonment of the gold standard but it is notable that the exchange does not enter into the question with regard to the trade with Great Britain, the two currencies being on the same basis.

The total value of imports of merchandise, parcel post and bullion and coin for the month of October was \$35,354,000, which is the second lowest figure for the year, the total for September having been \$34,333,000.

The monthly average for 1930 was \$30,323,000, while that to date for the present year is \$30,288,000, a decrease of \$3,364,000.

The total exports for October were \$32,005,000, showing a welcome increase over September, \$29,303,000, and only \$14,857,000 less than for the corresponding period of last year, the nearest comparative figures have ever approached in 1931.

The monthly average of exports for 1930 was \$28,173,000, that to date for the present year being \$30,383,000, a decrease of \$2,174,000.

The total trade for October, namely, the combined import and export figures, is \$68,239,000, which is less than last October's total by \$32,197,000. This is the most favourable trade balance for any month of the present year, however, representing as it does the lowest margin of difference between any of the corresponding months in the two years.

MOSCOW SENDS GOLD TO BERLIN.

Berlin, Nov. 10.—A consignment of 7,500 kilo-grammes of gold arrived here to-day from Moscow via Riga and was placed in the vaults of the Reichsbank. The shipment, which will probably be followed by others, is the direct result of the persistently unfavourable trade balance of Soviet Russia, compelling her to meet her obligations by payments in bullion instead of by exports.

SOUTH AFRICA AND GOLD STANDARD.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY VOTES FOR ITS RETENTION.

Capetown, Nov. 25.—The gold standard will be maintained in the Union of South Africa as the result of a vote to-day in the Legislative Assembly, which passed a Government Bill empowering the Governor-General to make regulations in regard to any matter concerning currency, banking and exchange rates.

The Opposition strongly criticised the measure which, however, was adopted by 78 votes to 43.

The Government is planning to introduce a new gold coin of 113 grains of fine gold to replace the present British pound, the existing form of currency.

This plan indicates the Government's determination not to follow Britain in suspending the gold standard, despite the large body of South African opinion in favour of such a step.

The British sovereign in South Africa at present stands at a premium of 20 per cent.

The new coin will probably be called "Rand" after the district which is the centre of the famous Transvaal gold fields.

IMPORTS—PRICES CURRENT.

The reports and prices are published as supplied by importers, and the Chamber cannot accept responsibility for the accuracy thereof.

Imports	Quotations
Market dull	Confidential.
IRON AND STEEL—	
Steel Nail Rods ...	per picul \$8.00
" Bars ...	" 4.60-4.80
" Angles ...	" 4.90
" Rods ...	" 5.30
" Joists ...	" 5.00
" Sheets ...	" 9.70
" Plates ...	" 5.80
Small round rods ...	" 5.80
Hoops, black steel ...	" 7.30
Galvanized flat sheets, 1/32" ...	17.00
Black Tubes 1 1/2" ...	Discount 70%
Steam Tubes 1 1/2" ...	60%
Wire Nails, 11-8 ...	per picul 10.00
Galvan. corrugated sheets, 24G ...	\$10.00
24G ...	per 100 lbs. 28G \$10.00
Galvanized flat sheets, 1/32" ...	17.00
1/8", 3/32" x 4" x 9" ...	per lb. \$13.50
Galv. wire 18/23 ...	per picul 17.80

LEAD—	British
B.M., Spot ...	per picul \$14.80-15.00
To arrive ...	15.30-15.50
Australian—	
B.H.P., Spot ...	15.70
To arrive ...	15.40-15.60

TIN PLATES—	
English I.C.W., 20" x 14" ...	100 lbs. Spot, per box \$11.00-11.20
To arrive ...	11.20-11.50
English I.C.W., 18 1/2" x 14" ...	110 lbs. Spot, per box 11.80
To arrive ...	12.00

PETROLEUM PRODUCTS—	British.
WHITE ROSE BRAND ...	per case \$8.85
COOK BRAND ...	" 8.43
COOK ...	" 8.37
EAGLE ...	" 2 tins 6.00
BAGLE ...	" bulk 6.40
SCOTT MOTOR GASOLINE ...	case 12.45
SILVER LIGHT ...	" 8.43
CROWN BRAND ...	88 lbs. 2 tins 6.00
CROSS BRAND ...	81 galls. 93 lbs. bulk 6.40
81 galls. 71 lbs. bulk 6.14	
LAMP GLASS ...	2 tins 5.85
SHALL MOTOR SPIRIT ...	case 12.45
" ...	2 tins 12.05
" ...	bulk 12.25
" ...	gallon (ex pump) 1.35
SCALE ...	2 tins 6.15
YIN FOO ...	" 6.00
TEXACO MOTOR SPIRIT ...	12.05
" ...	per gal. ex pump 1.35

RAILWAY RECEIPTS IN GERMANY FALL.	
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RAISING—	Quotations
No. 2 Lump ...	per metric ton \$13.25
Special Black ...	" 14.75
No. 1 Slack ...	" 13.25
No. 2 Slack ...	" 12.25
Flour	
American Patent ...	per sack \$4.00-4.70
" Straight ...	" 3.15-3.40
" Cut off ...	" 3.25-3.50
Australian No. 1 ...	" 3.15-3.30
Canadian Cut off ...	" 3.30-3.40
" Straight ...	" 3.25-3.35
" Mixture ...	" 3.15
" 2nd Clear ...	" 3.05
Stock	
American ...	150,000 bags
Canadian ...	60,000 "
Australian ...	70,000 "
	310,000 bags

Sundries.	
Window Glass—	
4th Quality of 100 sq. ft. ...	p. box \$8.00
Fair average size—	
1/16" thick (18 oz.) ...	" 7.70
1/8" ...	" 10.00

China, India and Straits Produce.	
Sugar—	Per Reported sales
Java ...	picul
Rough White ...	\$7.98-8.53 5,867.00
Da ...	7.68-8.68 83,201.00
Rough Brown ...	7.68-8.13 3,217.00
Da ...	7.28-8.03 23,295.00
Melanes ...	7.73 823.00

DEVELOPING EMPIRE TRADE.

MR. THOMAS WILL ENDEAVOUR TO FIND NEW MARKETS.

London, Nov. 24.—Answering various questions in the House of Commons to-day regarding methods of developing inter-imperial trade, the Secretary of State for the Dominions, Mr. J. H. Thomas, said that in the course of his for the coming tour through the Dominions he would certainly endeavour to find new markets for British goods.

Asked if the Dominions would lower their tariffs, he said he hoped to be in a position to offer certain advantages, and the Dominions might be expected to reciprocate.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, later said that the question of the development of inter-imperial trade was receiving the Government's consideration, and the necessary information was being collected and examined.

CAPITAL INCREASED

CHINA LIGHT & POWER CO. TO ISSUE NEW SHARES.

Presiding at the extraordinary general meeting of the China Light and Power Company which was convened yesterday for the purpose of increasing the Company's capital from \$6,000,000 to \$10,000,000, Mr. R. G. Shewan, the chairman, addressed the gathering in the following terms.—The object of the resolution just read is to increase the present authorised capital from \$6,000,000 to \$10,000,000 by the creation of one million new shares of the nominal value of \$5 each to be issued at such time or times and on such terms and conditions as the Directors in their absolute discretion shall see fit.

This money will, of course, not be required all at once, but our business is rapidly expanding and we wish to take power to issue fresh capital from time to time as it may be required. Accordingly, I beg formally to propose the following resolution as an ordinary resolution, namely:—"That the authorised capital of the Company be increased to ten million dollars by the creation of one million new shares of the nominal value of \$5 each and that such new shares be issued at such time or times and on such terms and conditions as the Directors in their absolute discretion shall see fit."

This was seconded by Mr. A. H. Compton and was carried unanimously.

Those Present.—Messrs. R. G. Shewan (chairman), A. H. Compton, C. A. de Roda, Sir Robert Ho Tung, Sir Lily Kadoorie, Messrs. J. P. Braga, L. Kadoorie, E. A. Joseph, and Noel Braga (secretary).

Shareholders were Messrs. I. W. Shewan, J. Toppin, F. J. Favara, A. G. M. de Figueiredo, A. A. Beldin and Tse Tsan-tai.

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MAN AND WOMAN SET ON FIRE.

TORTURED BY BURMA REBEL ROBBERS.

On October 3 at about 3.30 p.m. Maung San Tin, a cultivator of Pymungon village, Maung District, was talking with his wife Ma Ma Yi and his mother-in-law Ma Hui Yin when he heard foot-steps outside the house, says the *Evening Times*. A voice from the darkness commanded the inmates to open the door and threatened to set fire to the house.

When Ma Hui Yin opened the door, three men pushed in and one of them bound Maung San Tin while the others kept him covered with their local-made guns.

The man who bound Maung San Tin then started to chastise Ma Hui Yin with a cane, demanding immediate payment of Rs. 2,000. When Ma Hui Yin replied that she had not this large sum, intruders started to torture Maung San Tin and Ma Ma Yi. They insisted on jewellery and valuables being handed over to them.

Oil Poured on Them.

The information that there were no valuables in the house infuriated them. They poured kerosene oil all over Maung San Tin and Ma Hui Yin and set fire to them in spite of desperate cries for mercy and frantic promises to produce valuables. Wounded in flame, Ma Hui Yin rolled on the floor in agony while the criminals stood by and gloated. Horrified, Ma Ma Yi dashed water over the unfortunate woman and Maung San Tin hastily produced some concealed property.

The hearing of the criminals was arrogant in the extreme. They told Maung San Tin to have a good look at them so that subsequently wrong persons would not be accused. They also declared that they were rebels. Ma Hui Yin was taken to the Danahyu hospital where she died not long after, owing to the terrible burns she had sustained. One arrest has been made.

In this deplorable incident may be seen yet another example of the atrocious extremes to which men are led by cupidity and enmity, when the spirit of defiance of legal authority is abroad.

WEALTHY INDIAN MURDERED.

MYSTERIOUS ATTACK IN SINGAPORE.

In spite of vigorous inquiries made by the Singapore police the murder of Abdul Rahman Khan, a wealthy North Indian merchant from Kemaman, Trengganu, who was found stabbed in a Singapore Street within two days of his arrival, is still shrouded in mystery.

Abdul Rahman Khan arrived in Singapore by the s.s. Borleng on October 3 and went to live in a room at Arab Street with two companions, Ayub and Umaras. On the day of his arrival and on the following day, Rahman Khan went out on various shopping expeditions, and Ayub, who was with him, did not see him or Umaras after 4 o'clock that evening.

The following day Ayub was told that Rahman Khan was dead and learnt that he had been stabbed in Syed Alwi Road. In the meantime Umaras had returned to Kemaman but said nothing about Rahman's fate.

Compatriot Detained.

Inspector A. McLennan, of the Detective Division police who was in charge of investigations, gave evidence before Mr. J. J. Bourne, the Singapore Coroner, and stated that a blood-stained clasp knife was found at the end of a trail of blood in a long off Syed Alwi Road. He was unable to trace the man who had telephoned for the ambulance as this man had refused to give his name. According to his information the man, Umaras, was now detained by the Trengganu police.

In returning a verdict of murder against some person or persons unknown, the Coroner found that there was no direct evidence against Umaras but there were strong grounds for the presumption that he was implicated in the crime.

EXPRESS BEARS "BUY BRITISH" MESSAGE.

CAMPAIGN IN FULL SWING IN GREAT BRITAIN.

London, November 24.—The "Buy British" campaign launched by the Empire Marketing Board at the beginning of the last week is making great headway.

One of the strongest supporters of the campaign is Mr. J. H. Thomas, the Secretary of State for the Colonies. Once an engine-driver, Mr. Thomas revived many memories this morning when he waved a green flag as the "Cornish Riviera" express steamed out of Paddington station with "buy British" posters on the engine and carriages, and with presentation baskets of Empire-grown fruit for the mayors of Plymouth and Exeter.

UNTOUCHABLES AND THE TEMPLE.

DISPUTE OVER ENTRY.

MASS DISPLAY OF "SOUL FORCE."

Bombay, November 6.—Amid great enthusiasm "untouchables" have inaugurated a satyagraha campaign to secure the right of entry in the Kulkarni Temple at Pancharavi, Nasik.

About 6,000 satyagrahis, men and women, assembled in Maharwada and an "untouchable" leader's announcement of the decision to send a batch to the temple to perform satyagraha was greeted with loud cheers.

The whole crowd then filed out in regular rows of four and marched in orderly formation towards Pancharavi. The procession was about a mile long. All along the route the processionists shouted "Ambedkar-ki-jai!"

Shouts of "Mahatma Gandhi-ki-jai" which were a common feature of the past satyagraha, were conspicuously absent. When the procession arrived on the road leading to the temple a batch of four fell out and were given a hearty send-off.

The procession then started on the return journey.

The batch, on arriving, at the southern gate of the temple, found the entrance barred. Elaborate police arrangements had been made at the temple doors and the District Magistrate, the City Magistrate, and District Superintendent of Police were present to meet any eventuality.

The procession was headed by unfurled flags with a band and was followed by an ambulance brigade of the Moslem Red Crescent Society of Bombay.

The batch went round the temple and, finding all the doors closed, turned back and joined the procession, which returned to Maharwada. The future programme will be decided at a meeting of the "untouchables" to-night.

"Like an Armed Camp."

The Kulkarni temple at Nasik presented to-day the appearance of an armed camp, with a strong police force guarding it and enforcing the District Magistrate's orders.

The doors, of course, are kept closed and Sanatanists are seriously considering the advisability of keeping them open.

"Untouchables," at a meeting held last night, decided to send batches to patrol round the temple. If the doors opened, they would, it was agreed, offer satyagraha without infringing the District Magistrate's orders.

Several persons, including two rich contractors, have enlisted themselves as members of the committee which has been formed for regulating the satyagraha. The "untouchables" are at present remaining at their headquarters.

A fair which is held once in twelve years begins to-day and the Sanatanists are, therefore, insisting on keeping the temple doors open for pilgrims.

Meanwhile, many "untouchables" who went to Nasik from Sholapur, Jalgaon, Poona, Ahmednagar and the Nizam's Dominions are returning home.

SOVIET TO ABOLISH FOOD RESTRICTIONS.

Moscow, November 25.—Food cards and all other restrictions on the sale and distribution of foodstuffs will be abolished throughout Russia on January 1, under the decree of the People's commissaries promulgated to-day. The new regulations are enthusiastically welcomed by the Press which sees in them evidence for a substantial improvement in the food situation.

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G. Metzinger, M.M., Dec. 22.
Somali, P. & O., Dec. 26.

ALGERIA.

Pros. Harrison, Dollar, Dec. 13.
Pros. Hayes, Dollar, Dec. 27.
Pros. Pierce, Dollar, Jan. 10.

ALGIERS.

Nanking, Gilman, Dec. 3.
Tamura, Gilman, Dec. 27.
Peiping, Gilman, Jan. 27.

AMSTERDAM.

Yingchow, B. & S., Dec. 9.
Haiching, Douglas, Dec. 4.
Tiwara, P. & O., Dec. 4.
Antung, B. & S., Dec. 6.
Yuenan, Jardine's, Dec. 6.
Haining, Douglas, Dec. 8.
Tjisadane, J.C.J.L., Dec. 9.
Tainan, B. & S., Dec. 9.
Yingchow, B. & S., Dec. 16.
Tjisadane, J.C.J.L., Dec. 17.
Santhia, P. & O., Dec. 18.
Kungang, Jardine's, Dec. 19.
Tjinegara, J.C.J.L., Dec. 24.
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Ajax, B. & S., Dec. 13.
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Africa, Manners, Dec. 28.
Isar, Melchers, Jan. 1.
Coblentz, Melchers, Jan. 9.
Peiping, Gilman, Jan. 27.
Chile, Manners, Jan. 28.

ANTWERP.

Malaya, Manners, Dec. 9.
Hakone Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 12.
Somali, P. & O., Dec. 26.
Africa, Manners, Dec. 28.
Karmala, M. M. & Co., Jan. 16.
Chile, Manners, Jan. 28.

AUSTRALIAN PORTS.

Tanda, E. & A., Dec. 2.
Changte, B. & S., Dec. 18.
Atsuta Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 20.
Annam, Melchers, Dec. 30.
Nankin, M. M. & Co., Jan. 2.
Taiping, B. & S., Jan. 15.
Kamo Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 20.
Nellere, M. M. & Co., Jan. 30.

BALI.

Tjibadak, J.C.J.L., Dec. 8.
Tjisadane, J.C.J.L., Dec. 15.
Tjisadane, J.C.J.L., Dec. 22.
Tjinegara, J.C.J.L., Dec. 22.
Tjinegara, J.C.J.L., Jan. 5.

BALTIC PORTS.

Malaya, Manners, Dec. 9.
Africa, Manners, Dec. 28.
Chile, Manners, Jan. 28.

BALTIMORE.

Adrasus, B. & S., Dec. 11.
Laganbank, Bank, Jan. 8.

BANGKOK.

Bintang, Manners, Dec. 3.
Anshun, B. & S., Dec. 6.
Kalgan, B. & S., Dec. 13.

BARCELONA.

Leverkusen, Melchers, Dec. 5.
Snaarbrucken, Melchers, Dec. 12.
Coblentz, Melchers, Jan. 9.

BATAVIA.

Tjibadak, J.C.J.L., Dec. 8.
Tjisadane, J.C.J.L., Dec. 15.
Tjisadane, J.C.J.L., Dec. 22.
Tjinegara, J.C.J.L., Dec. 22.
Tjinegara, J.C.J.L., Jan. 5.

BEJAWAN-DELL.

Van Heutz, J.C.J.L., Dec. 3.

BOMBAY.

Kaga Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 11.
Tokiwa Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 27.
Rawalpindi, M. M. & Co., Jan. 2.
Chitral, M. M. & Co., Jan. 30.

BOSTON.

Javanese Prince, Furness, Dec. 5.
Pros. Coolidge, Dollar, Dec. 8.
Adrasus, B. & S., Dec. 11.
Takaoka Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 10.
Chinese Prince, Furness, Dec. 17.
Pros. Hayes, Dollar, Dec. 27.
Laganbank, Bank, Jan. 8.
Pros. Pierce, Dollar, Jan. 10.

BREMEN.

Lippe, Melchers, Dec. 4.
Snaarbrucken, Melchers, Dec. 12.
Isar, Melchers, Jan. 1.
Coblentz, Melchers, Jan. 9.

BRINDISI.

Venezia L. Dodwell's, Dec. 20.
Gracovia, Dodwell's, Dec. 27.
Hilda, Dodwell's, Jan. 17.

CALCUTTA.

Bengal Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 8.
Kutangs, Jardine's, Dec. 10.
Akita Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 15.
Calcutta Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 15.
Sirdhana, P. & O., Dec. 16.
Hosang, Jardine's, Dec. 16.
Tilawa, P. & O., Dec. 24.
Kutangs, J. M. & Co., Jan. 7.

CASABLANCA.

Corfu, P. & O., Dec. 19.
Isar, Melchers, Jan. 1.
Karmala, M. M. & Co., Jan. 10.

CHEFOO.

Kueichow, B. & S., Dec. 8.
Huichow, B. & S., Dec. 13.
Cheongshing, J. M. & Co., Dec. 13.
Chipshing, J. M. & Co., Dec. 24.

COLOMBO.

Yasukuni Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 4.
Felix Roussel, M.M., Dec. 5.
Kaga Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 11.
Hakone Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 12.
Pros. Harrison, Dollar, Dec. 13.
G. Metzinger, M.M., Dec. 22.
Glenbeg, J. M. & Co., Dec. 23.
Pros. Hayes, Dollar, Dec. 27.
Tokiwa Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 27.
Sphinz, M.M., Jan. 5.
Pros. Pierce, Dollar, Jan. 10.
Porther, M.M., Jan. 19.

COPENHAGEN.

Malaya, Manners, Dec. 9.
Africa, Manners, Dec. 28.
Chile, Manners, Jan. 28.

DAIREN.

Chenan, B. & S., Dec. 3.
Tonk, B. & S., Dec. 8.

DJIBOUTI.

Sphinz, M.M., Jan. 5.
Porther, M.M., Jan. 19.

FOOCHOW.

Haiching, Douglas, Dec. 4.
Haining, Douglas, Dec. 8.

GENOA.

Nanking, Gilman, Dec. 3.
Lippe, Melchers, Dec. 4.
Leverkusen, Melchers, Dec. 5.
Snaarbrucken, Melchers, Dec. 12.
Pros. Harrison, Dollar, Dec. 13.
Ulysses, B. & S., Dec. 16.
Dakar Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 20.
Agapenor, B. & S., Jan. 13.
Titan, B. & S., Jan. 20.

LONDON.

Rajputana, P. & O., Dec. 5.
City of Perth, Bank, Dec. 9.
Hakone Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 12.
Ajax, B. & S., Dec. 13.
Corfu, P. & O., Dec. 19.
Antenor, B.F., Dec. 23.
Somali, P. & O., Dec. 26.
Isar, Melchers, Jan. 1.
Rawalpindi, M. M. & Co., Jan. 2.
Karmala, M. M. & Co., Jan. 10.
Glenbeg, J. M. & Co., Dec. 19.
Diomed, B. & S., Jan. 20.
Hector, B. & S., Jan. 20.
Chitral, M. M. & Co., Jan. 30.

LOS ANGELES.

Pros. Coolidge, A.M.L., Dec. 8.
Heiyo Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 22.
Pros. Wilson, A.M.L., Dec. 22.
Pros. Hoover, A.M.L., Jan. 5.

MAKASSAR.

Tjibadak, J.C.J.L., Dec. 8.
Tjisadane, J.C.J.L., Dec. 15.
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Tjinegara, J.C.J.L., Dec. 22.
Tjinegara, J.C.J.L., Jan. 5.

MANILA.

Tanda, E. & A., Dec. 2.
Nanking, Gilman, Dec. 3.
Pros. Madison, A.M.L., Dec. 5.
Atsuta Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 6.
Tjibadak, J.C.J.L., Dec. 8.
Emp. of Japan, C.P.R., Dec. 10.

MARSEILLES.

Lippe, Melchers, Dec. 4.
Rajputana, M. M. Co., Dec. 5.
Felix Roussel, M.M., Dec. 8.
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Somali, P. & O., Dec. 26.

HAVRE.

Malaya, Manners, Dec. 9.
Ulysses, B. & S., Dec. 16.
City of Athens, Bank, Dec. 18.
Somali, P. & O., Dec. 26.
Africa, Manners, Dec. 28.
Agapenor, B. & S., Jan. 13.

HUIHOW.

Kiangchow, B. & S., Dec. 4.
Kiangyuan, B. & S., Dec. 18.

HONOLULU.

Asama Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 2.
Shiyo Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 22.
Heiyo Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 22.

JAPAN PORTS.

Glenahiel, Jardine's, Dec. 4.
Rawalpindi, M. M. & Co., Dec. 4.
Emp. of Canada, C.P.R., Dec. 5.
Morioka Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 6.
Porim, P. & O., Dec. 6.
Yuenan, Jardine's, Dec. 6.
Mirzapore, M. M. & Co., Dec. 7.
Nankin, P. & O., Dec. 7.
Asama Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 9.
Sphinz, M.M., Dec. 9.
Hakozaki Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 11.
Hilda, Dodwell's, Dec. 14.
Gracovia, Dodwell's, Dec. 15.
Hikawa Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 15.

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Takaoka Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 10.
Adrasus, B. & S., Dec. 11.
Pros. Harrison, Dollar, Dec. 13.
Chinese Prince, Furness, Dec. 17.
Pros. Wilson, A.M.L., Dec. 22.
Pros. Hayes, Dollar, Dec. 27.
Pros. Hoover, A.M.L., Jan. 5.
Laganbank, Bank, Jan. 8.
Pros. Pierce, Dollar, Jan. 10.

JAPAN PORTS.—Continued.

Emp. of Russia, C. P. S., Dec. 16.
Glenahiel, Jardine's, Dec. 18.
Kaga Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 19.
Karmala, P. & O., Dec. 19.
Peiping, Gilman, Dec. 19.
Santhia, P. & O., Dec. 19.
Ixion, B. & S., Dec. 19.
Kutangs, Jardine's, Dec. 19.
Heiyo Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 22.
Shiyo Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 22.
Porther, M.M., Dec. 23.
Chitral, M. M. & Co., Jan. 1.
Emp. of Japan, C.P.R., Jan. 2.
Suisang, J. M. & Co., Jan. 2.
Taima, M. M. & Co., Jan. 3.
Glenahane, Jardine's, Jan. 4.
Nellere, M. M. & Co., Jan. 4.
Kashmir, M. M. & Co., Jan. 5.
Chonocaux, M.M., Jan. 5.
Kalyan, M. M. & Co., Jan. 9.
Takada, M. M. & Co., Jan. 15.
Tyndareus, B. & S., Jan. 15.
Formosa, Gilman, Jan. 15.
Glenahane, J. M. & Co., Jan. 18.
Athos II, M.M., Jan. 20.
Seiklan, M. M. & Co., Jan. 20.
Naldera, M. M. & Co., Jan. 20.

JAVA PORTS.

Tjibadak, J.C.J.L., Dec. 8.
Tjisadane, J.C.J.L., Dec. 15.
Tjisadane, J.C.J.L., Dec. 22.
Tjinegara, J.C.J.L., Dec. 22.
Tjinegara, J.C.J.L., Jan. 5.

LISBON.

Coblentz, Melchers, Jan. 9.

LIVERPOOL.

Tuener, B.F., Dec. 1.
Ulysses, B. & S., Dec. 16.
Dakar Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 20.
Agapenor, B. & S., Jan. 13.
Titan, B. & S., Jan. 20.

LONDON.

Rajputana, P. & O., Dec. 5.
City of Perth, Bank, Dec. 9.
Hakone Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 12.
Ajax, B. & S., Dec. 13.
Corfu, P. & O., Dec. 19.
Antenor, B.F., Dec. 23.
Somali, P. & O., Dec. 26.
Isar, Melchers, Jan. 1.
Rawalpindi, M. M. & Co., Jan. 2.
Karmala, M. M. & Co., Jan. 10.
Glenbeg, J. M. & Co., Dec. 19.
Diomed, B. & S., Jan. 20.
Hector, B. & S., Jan. 20.
Chitral, M. M. & Co., Jan. 30.

LOS ANGELES.

Pros. Coolidge, A.M.L., Dec. 8.
Heiyo Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 22.
Pros. Wilson, A.M.L., Dec. 22.
Pros. Hoover, A.M.L., Jan. 5.

MAKASSAR.

Tjibadak, J.C.J.L., Dec. 8.
Tjisadane, J.C.J.L., Dec. 15.
Tjisadane, J.C.J.L., Dec. 22.
Tjinegara, J.C.J.L., Dec. 22.
Tjinegara, J.C.J.L., Jan. 5.

MANILA.

Tanda, E. & A., Dec. 2.
Nanking, Gilman, Dec. 3.
Pros. Madison, A.M.L., Dec. 5.
Atsuta Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 6.
Tjibadak, J.C.J.L., Dec. 8.
Emp. of Japan, C.P.S., Dec. 10.

MARSEILLES.

Lippe, Melchers, Dec. 4.
Rajputana, M. M. Co., Dec. 5.
Felix Roussel, M.M., Dec. 8.
Hakone Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 12.
Corfu, P. & O., Dec. 19.
Dakar Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 20.
G. Metzinger, M.M., Dec. 22.
Antenor, B.F., Dec. 23.
Somali, P. & O., Dec. 26.

MARSEILLES.

Lippe, Melchers, Dec. 4.
Rajputana, M. M. Co., Dec. 5.
Felix Roussel, M.M., Dec. 8.
Hakone Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 12.
Corfu, P. & O., Dec. 19.
Dakar Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 20.
G. Metzinger, M.M., Dec. 22.
Antenor, B.F., Dec. 23.
Somali, P. & O., Dec. 26.

HAVRE.

Malaya, Manners, Dec. 9.
Ulysses, B. & S., Dec. 16.
City of Athens, Bank, Dec. 18.
Somali, P. & O., Dec. 26.
Africa, Manners, Dec. 28.
Agapenor, B. & S., Jan. 13.

HUIHOW.

Kiangchow, B. & S., Dec. 4.
Kiangyuan, B. & S., Dec. 18.


HONOLULU.

Asama Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 2.
Shiyo Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 22.
Heiyo Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 22.

JAPAN PORTS.

Glenahiel, Jardine's, Dec. 4.
Rawalpindi, M. M. & Co., Dec. 4.
Emp. of Canada, C.P.R., Dec. 5.
Morioka Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 6.
Porim, P. & O., Dec. 6.
Yuenan, Jardine's, Dec. 6.
Mirzapore, M. M. & Co., Dec. 7.
Nankin, P. & O., Dec. 7.
Asama Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 9.
Sphinz, M.M., Dec. 9.
Hakozaki Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 11.
Hilda, Dodwell's, Dec. 14.
Gracovia, Dodwell's, Dec. 15.
Hikawa Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 15.

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Emp. of Asia	Feb. 5	Feb. 8	Feb. 11	Feb. 13	Feb. 16	Feb. 19	Feb. 22	Feb. 25	Feb. 27	Mar. 1	Mar. 4	Mar. 7
Emp. of Canada	Mar. 15	Mar. 18	Mar. 21	Mar. 24	Mar. 27	Mar. 30	Apr. 2	Apr. 5	Apr. 8	Apr. 11	Apr. 14	Apr. 17
Emp. of Japan	Mar. 15	Mar. 18	Mar. 21	Mar. 24	Mar. 27	Mar. 30	Apr. 2	Apr. 5	Apr. 8	Apr. 11	Apr. 14	Apr. 17
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ATSUMI MARU ... Saturday, 28th Dec.
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LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Suez, Constantinople, Genoa & Marseilles.

+ DAKAR MARU ... Sunday, 20th Dec.
+ CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Bangkok.

+ BENGAL MARU ... Tuesday, 8th Dec.
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YESTERDAY'S FREIGHT RETURNS.

IMPORTS 20,730 TONS.
THROUGH CARGO 33,070 TONS.

The returns, shown at the Harbour Office, of vessels carrying cargo to the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday were:

Cargo for Through H.K. Ports

British Kidderpore, Onaka 20 1,350

Tanaka, Yokohama 19 622

Kingman, Haiphong 2,342 440

Chusan, Shanghai 180 511

Chipshing, Canton — 69

American City of Elwood, Baltimore 30 4,500

German Isar, Bremen 742 9,135

Norwegian South Africa, San Pedro 9,087 —

Cederic, Chingwangto 2,888 2,400

Sandviken, Canton — 116

Solviken, Haiphong 1,580 666

Danish Minnam, Bangkok 2,800 —

Japanese Tanyo Maru, Bombay 50 3,213

Sumatra Maru, Nagoya 62 1,840

Kinsen, Hakatamatsu 4,300 1,105

Matsuyama Maru, Antwerp 150 5,381

Miho Maru, P. Redon 6,000 —

Total 30,740 33,070

ASIATIC DECK PASSENGERS.

The following vessels brought Asiatic deck passengers to the Colony during the 24 hours ending at 9 a.m. yesterday:

Tanda (Br.) Yokohama 14

Kingman (Br.) Haiphong 99

Isar (Ger.) Bremen 2

Solviken (Nor.) Haiphong 274

Minnam (Dan.) Bangkok 113

Total 505

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES.

The arrivals and departures during the 24 hours ending at 9 a.m. yesterday were:

British 7 7

American 1 1

German 1 0

Danish 2 0

Norwegian 5 0

Japanese 6 4

Total 22 12

WARSHIPS IN PORT.

The following warships are in port:

Basin—Tamar.

North Wall—Sirdar, Scraph and Sterling.

East Wall—Marazion.

South Wall—Bruce.

North Arm—Kent.

West Wall—Suffolk.

Dock—Olympus, Perseus, Othris.

Buoy No. 1—Hermes.

Buoy No. 2—Medway and S/Ms.

Buoy No. 3—Berwick.

Buoy No. 5—Cornwall.

Foreign—U.S.S. Helena; Portuguese transport (H) Eanes.

SHIPS IN HARBOUR.

The following merchant vessels were in port yesterday:

Wharves.

Kowloon—Benvenuto.

China Merchants—Hoi Fook.

Douglas Laprak—Haiyang and Venezia.

Saikong—Wing Lee.

Docks.

Kowloon—Yei Maru, Limchow.

Wong Sek Kwai, Hiram, Havdrot.

Yuan Jeng, Gil Eanes, and Sui Tai.

Buoys.

No. A1—Tjikembang.

No. A2—Tanda.

No. A3—City of Elwood.

No. A4—Kidderpore.

No. A6—Takada.

No. A11—Akibasan Maru.

No. A15—Isar.

No. A16—Sumatra Maru.

No. B1—Chakrang.

No. B2—Chipshing.

No. B3—Kingman.

No. B5—Solviken.

No. B6—Kamo.

No. B10—Minnam.

No. B11—Helikon.

No. B15—Anshun.

No. B16—Bintang.

No. B20—Sinkiang.

No. B21—Chusan.

No. B26—Cederic.

No. C1—Hirundo.

No. C2—Bremerhaven.

PROTEST AGAINST MATSON LINE.

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ARRIVALS.

November 30.

Chusan, British str., 1,338 tons, Capt. R. Kettlewell, from Amoy, buoy No. C2.—B. & S.

Isar, German str., 3,338 tons, Capt. G. Brake, from Singapore, buoy No. A15.—Melchers & Co.

Kingman, British str., 1,340 tons, Capt. J. Taylor, from Hoibow, buoy No. B3.—B. & S.

Sumatra Maru, Japanese str., 4,272 tons, Capt. G. Shinnura, from Sakito, buoy No. A16.—O.S.K.

Tango Maru, Japanese str., 4,238 tons, Capt. M. Uchino, from Singapore, Kowloon Wharf.—N.Y.K.

December 1.

Akibasan Maru, Japanese str., 2,908 tons, Capt. Imai, from Miki, buoy No. A11.—M.B.K.

Chipshing, British str., 1,199 tons, Capt. S. D. Pethick, from Canton, buoy No. C2.—J. M. & Co.

Helonus, British str., 4,810 tons, Capt. J. Davie, from Singapore, Holt's Wharf.—B. & S.

Kidderpore, British str., 3,263 tons, Capt. C. S. D. B. Wright, from Shanghai, buoy No. A4.—M. M. & Co.

Minnam, Danish str., 1,739 tons, Capt. V. Relster, from Swatow, buoy No. B10.—John Manners & Co.

Saarland, German str., 4,076 tons, Capt. Hennecke, from Manila, Kowloon Wharf.—Jensen & Co.

CLEARANCES.

December 1.

Cederic, for Canton.

Chakrang, for Swatow.

Chipshing, for Shanghai.

Chungking, for Tsurane.

City of Elwood, for Keelung.

Haiyang, for Swatow.

Havdrot, for Hongay.

Helonus, for Shanghai.

Helikon, for Saigon.

Isar, for Shanghai.

Kaipoi, for Canton.

Kidderpore, for Singapore.

Newchwang, for Shanghai.

Sally Maersk, for Manila.

Solviken, for Canton.

Sumatra Maru, for Singapore.

Takada, for Singapore.

Tango Maru, for Shanghai.

Wing Lee, for K. C. Wan.

STEAMERS' MOVEMENTS.

The B.I. company's s.s. Tilawa left Singapore for this port on November 28, and is due here on December 2, at about 6 a.m.

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